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## **SOAH DOCKET NO. 473-21-2996 DOCKET NO. 52210**

APPLICATION OF SOUTHWESTERN	§	BEFORE THE STAE OFFICE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FOR	§	
AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT AN	§	$\mathbf{OF}$
INTERIM NET SURCHARGE FOR	§	
UNDER-COLLECTED FUEL COSTS	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

## SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY'S PROOF OF NOTICE AND REQUEST FOR A GOOD CAUSE EXCEPTION

Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") files this proof of notice ("Attachment A") pursuant to State Office of Administrative Hearings ("SOAH") Order No. 3, requiring SPS to file proof of notice as soon as practicable, and request for a good cause exception to 16 Tex. Admin. Code. § 25.235(b)(1)(A) ("TAC").

#### I. Background

After the SOAH Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") deemed SPS's proposed notice sufficient on September 19, 2021, SPS began the process of providing notice in accordance with 16 TAC § 25.235(b), which required SPS to (1) publish notice in a newspaper having general circulation of each county of SPS's service area or provide individual notice to each customer and (2) provide individual notice to each of the parties that participated in SPS's prior fuel reconciliation proceeding, Docket No. 48973. SPS mailed notice to each of the parties that participated in Docket No. 48973 and elected to publish notice by newspaper rather than provide individual customers. SPS paid for its notice to be placed in the following newspapers: the Amarillo Globe News, the Booker News, the Caprock Courier, the County Star-News, the Dalhart Texas, the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, the Miami Chief, the Muleshoe Journal, the Pampa News, and the Sherman County Gazette. The newspapers were to provide publishers' affidavits after the notice has run along with a tear sheet (a copy of the newspaper page containing the notice).

One of these newspapers, the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, received SPS's request and payment ("Attachment B") and provided a publisher's affidavit ("Attachment C"). However, the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal did not provide SPS with a tear sheet. After SPS requested the tear

1 SOAH Order No. 3 at 1.

sheet multiple times, the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal informed SPS on October 28, 2021 that it had inadvertently published a different notice in place of the notice for this proceeding. As a result of the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal's error, notice of this proceeding has not been published in a newspaper in general circulation in Cochran, Crosby, Dawson, Floyd, Gaines, Garza, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock, Motley, Terry and Yoakum counties (the counties in which the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal is in general circulation).

A second newspaper, the Caprock Courier, also failed to run SPS's notice even though SPS timely requested and paid for the notice to be published. After the Caprock Courier failed to provide a publisher's affidavit, SPS began regularly contacting the Caprock Courier to inquire as to the status of SPS's notice; however, the Caprock Courier would not pick up SPS's calls or respond to SPS's emails. On October 28, 2021, SPS made contact with a representative from the Caprock Courier, who informed SPS that the Caprock Courier had inadvertently failed to publish the notice for this proceeding. As a result of the Caprock Courier's error, notice of this proceeding has not been published in a newspaper in general circulation in Briscoe County.

#### II. Request for Good Cause Exception

SPS requests that the SOAH ALJ grant a good cause exception to 16 Tex. Admin. Code. § 25.235(b)(1)(A), which requires SPS to provide notice in a paper of general circulation for each county in SPS's service area or to provide individual notice to each of SPS's customers. Newspaper notice has been published in a majority of counties served by SPS; however, through no fault of SPS's, newspaper notice was not published in 13 counties and SPS was not made aware of this issue with sufficient time for either paper to publish the notice in advance of the hearing or for SPS to provide individual notice to each of these customers in advance of the hearing.

These thirteen counties contain only a small percentage of SPS's customers, and many customers in these counties are also citizens of municipalities represented by the Alliance of Xcel Municipalities. Furthermore, the newspapers' mistakes have not resulted in significant harm as the two of the three parties that typically participate in SPS's surcharge proceedings have intervened. (The third regular participant, the Office of the Public Utility Council, was not affected by this error).

#### III. Conclusion

SPS respectfully requests that the ALJ deem SPS's notice sufficient and grant a good cause exception to 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 25.235(b)(1)(A) for those counties in which notice was not provided in a newspaper in general circulation.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021, a true and correct copy of the foregoing instrument was served on all parties of record in this proceeding by e-mail in accordance with Order No. 2 in this docket.

Andrea Moore Stover

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## **ATTACHMENT A**

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COLLECTED FUEL COSTS	§	

## SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY'S AFFIDAVIT OF PROOF OF NOTICE

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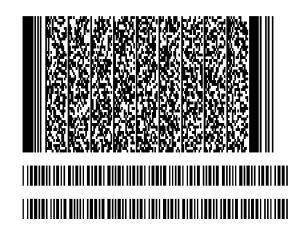
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October 29, 2021 09:52:53 -8:00 [A4451BEB2647] [208.87.239.180] Michael K.Knapp@xcelenergy.com (Principal) (ID Verified)

#### E-Signature Notary: Dionne Banks (DB)

October 29, 2021 09:52:53 -8:00 [1676AB44779C] [66.28.21.206] dionne.banks@bakerbotts.com

I, Dionne Banks, did witness the participants named above electronically sign this document.



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#### AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL K. KNAPP

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF POTTER §

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Michael K. Knapp, who being by me first duly sworn, on oath, deposed and said the following:

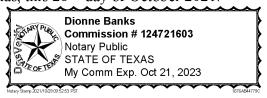
- 1. My name is Michael K. Knapp. I am employed by Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") as Case Specialist. I am authorized to make this affidavit and I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein.
- 2. I attest to the accuracy of the statements presented Southwestern Public Service Company's Proof of Notice and Request for a Good Cause Exception.
- 3. On June 4, 2021, SPS filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas an application for a Commission fuel surcharge. The application has been assigned PUC Docket No. 52210.
- 4. On June 4, 2021, SPS served notice of the application by email to all parties who participated in SPS's most recent base rate case, Docket No. 51802. A list of those to whom notice was sent is attached as Exhibit A.
- 5. SPS published notice in newspapers of general circulation in counties served by SPS. Copies of the Publishers' Affidavit forms and tear sheets verifying the publication of notice in each newspaper are attached as Exhibit B. The newspapers of general circulation are:

	Date of	
Newspaper	Publication	Counties Served
Amarillo Globe News	9-25-2021	Armstrong, Carson, Castro,
		Collingsworth, Deaf Smith, Donley,
		Dallam/Hartley, Gray, Hall, Hansford,
		Hemphill, Hutchinson, Moore, Ochilltree,
		Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall,
		Sherman, Swisher, Wheeler
Booker News	9-23-2021	Lipscomb
County Star-News	9-30-2021	Wheeler
Dalhart Texan	9-24-2021	Dallam, Hartley
Miami Chief	9-23-2021	Roberts
Muleshoe	9-23-2021	Bailey
The Pampa News	9-23-2021	Gray
Sherman County Gazette	9-23-2021	Sherman

Michael K Knapp

#### MICHAEL K. KNAPP

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME, a Notary Public, in and for the State of Texas, this 28th day of October 2021.



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Notarial act performed by audio-visual communication My Communication Expires.

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# Exhibit A

**Service List** 

#### **Alliance of Xcel Municipalities**

#### <u>(AXM)</u>

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#### **TIEC**

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# Exhibit B

# Publishers' Affidavits

## **Amarillo Globe News**



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#### EXHIBIT A - PROPOSED FORM OF NOTICE

Service Class or Subclass	Average Monthly Bill	Approximate Monthly Fuel Surcharge
Residential Service	\$112.74	\$4.81
Small General Service	\$68.38	\$2.74
Small Municipal and School Service	\$46.21	\$2,58
Large Municipal Service (Secondary)	\$1,017.60	\$75.31
Large School Service (Secondary)	\$1,511.06	\$68.98
Secondary General Service	\$1,051.51	\$59.44
Primary General Service	\$2,061,45	\$131.89
Municipal and State Street Lighting Service	\$13.45	\$0.26
Guard and Flood Lighting Service	\$14.88	50.22

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Until 2:00 PM on September 30, 2021.

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eet Address: 6103 Droyfuss Road, Amarillo, TX 79106 ( Account Number(s): R001 180041350

Dated at Randali County, Texas this 7th day of September, 2021

/s/ Cody Weavers By: Christopher Forbis, Sheritt, R.



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#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF

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ADVANCED METERING SYSTEM (AMS) DEPLOYMENT PLAN, AMS SURCHARGE, AND
NON-STANDARD METERING SERVICE FEES WITH THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF
TEXAS PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS (PUC) DOCKET NO. 52451
On August 20, 2021, Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") filed an application with the Public Utility
Commission of Texas ("Commission" or "PUC") for Approval of Advanced Metering System ("AMS") Deployment,
AMS Surcharge, and Non-Standard Metering Service Fees. The docket number assigned to this proceeding is
Docket No. 52451. This application, if granted, will affect all SPS Texas retail customers, other than those that
receive service at transmission-level voltage or receive unmetered service.
SPS is seeking approved from the Commission of its AMS deployment plan pursuant to Public Utility Regulatory Act
("PURA") § 39.402 and 16 Tex. Admin. Code ("TAC") §§ 25.130 and 25.133. In its 2019 regular session, the Texas
Legislature approved House Bill 1986, which extended mechanisms that support deployment of AMS to SPS and
directed that if SPS elects to deploy AMS, it shall deploy the network as rapidly as practicable to allow customers
to better manage energy use and control costs. SPS is therefore submitting its application for Commission review
and approval consistent with the support and direction of the legislature as provided in House Bill 1986.
SPS requests approval of an AMS Surcharge for recovery of the reasonable and necessary costs that SPS will
incur under its proposed deployment plan. The proposed AMS Surcharge would be in place for ten years. SPS's
proposed monthly AMS Surcharge retes for each customer class for the surcharge period are as follows:

Customer Class	AMS Surcharge Per Month
Residential Service	\$2.17
Small General Service	\$2.68
Secondary General Service	\$4.16
Primary General Service	\$4.12
Small Municipal and School Service	\$2.73
Large Municipal Service	\$4.25
Large School Service	\$4.89

The proposed AMS Surcharge will result in additional average retail revenues of approximately \$7.9 million on an annual basis. The projected monthly bill impact during the AMS Surcharge period on an average residential customer using a year-round monthly average of 1,000 kWh per month is approximately \$2.17, or 1.9%. This projection is based on the current rates and riders in effect at the time of this filing.

SPS proposes that its AMS Surcharge will go into effect on January 18, 2022. The AMS Surcharge will apply to electric service to residential and non-residential customers, other than those who are served at transmission voltage or take unmetered service. The costs recovered through the AMS Surcharge will be reviewed by the Commission in a future reconciliation proceeding or proceedings on a schedule to be determined by the Commission.

Commission.

Furthermore, SPS proposes to allow a customer to choose to receive electric service through a non-standard (non-advanced) meter and to assess fees consistent with 16 TAC § 25.133 to recover the costs associated with providing the non-standard metering service from a customer who elects to have a non-standard meter. The following fees will only affect those customers that refuse installation of an advanced meter or any other retail customer who requests non-standard metering service:

#### Non-refundable, one-time upfront fees

Customer selecting non-standard metering service before advanced meter installation:.....\$237.54 Oustomer selecting non-standard metering service after advanced meter installation:......\$286.16

Recurring monthly fee:.....\$25.59 per month

Contact Information

Persons with questions or who want more information on this application may contact SPS at 790 S. Buchanan St.,

Amarillo, Texas 79101, or call 1-800-895-4999 during normal business hours. A complete copy of the application

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#### **Affidavit of Publication**

STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF POTTER }

SS

Heather Contreras, being duly sworn, says:

That she is Legal Clerk of the Amarillo Globe-News, a daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Amarillo, Potter County, Texas; that the publication, a copy of which is attached hereto, was published in the said newspaper on the following dates:

September 25, 2021

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

SIGNED:

Legal Clerk

Subscribed to and sworn to me this 25th day of September 2021.

Kimberly Dawn Megrew, Notary Public, Potter County, Texas

My commission expires: January 09, 2023

Kimberly Dawn Megrew My Commission Expires 01/09/2023 ID No. 131847518

AMARILLO- Dee Hooley XCEL ENERGY REGULATORY 790 S BUCHANNAN ST, 7TH FL AMARILLO, TX 79101 Legal Notices

#### EXHIBIT A – PROPOSED FORM OF NOTICE

On June 4, 2021, Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS"), doing business as Xcel Energy, filed an application dated June 4, 2021 with the Public Utility. Commission of Texas ("Commission") to implement an interim net surcharge for under-collected fuel costs incurred from January 2020 through June 2021. The Application was supplemented on August 23, 2021.

The docket number assigned to this proceeding is Commission Docket No. 52210 This filing was made in compliance with 16 Texas Administrative Code § 25,237(a)(3) (B). The filing affects only the fuel portion of the rates charged by SPS for electricity in Texas and has no effect on SPS's non-fuel base rates. This application, if granted, will affect all Texas retail customers who pay fixed fuel factors.

From January 2020 through June 2021, SPS has materially under-collected its total fuel and purchased power expenses by \$101.694,758, excluding interest. Including interest in the amount of \$1,313,962 through January 2024, the total amount of the net over-collected balance that SPS proposes to refund is \$103,008,720. For transmission voltage customers, SPS proposes to implement the interim net surcharge through a 24-month rider, based on customer actual usage. For all other customers, SPS proposes to implement the interim net surcharge through a rider, which will be in place for a 24-month period, using factors based on forecasted usage beginning February 2022, SPS requests that the 24-month tariff for all customers be approved and effective for February 1, 2021 through January 31, 2024.

The effect of the interim net surcharge on customer bills will vary depending on the rate schedule under which a customer takes service, and in some instances will amount to a refund. For example, a residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month and a secondary general customer.

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using 14,800 kWh per month will receive a monthly surcharge of \$4.81 and \$59.44, respectively. Additionally, transmission voltage level customers as a group will receive a net surcharge; however, certain individual transmission voltage level customers may experience a refund. These changes will be subject to final review by the Commission in SPS's next fuel reconciliation proceeding. The table below presents how the net surcharge will affect a representative customer for each service class or subclass, except Large General Service - Transmission because the surcharge (or refund) amount for that class will be based on individual historical usage

Current Average Monthly Bill	Approximate Monthly Fuel Surcharge
\$112.74	\$4.81
\$68.38-	\$2.74
\$46.21	\$2.58
\$1,017.60	\$7.5.31
\$1,511.06	\$68.98
\$1,051.51	\$59.44
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Persons with questions or who want more information on this petition may contact Southwestern Public Service Company at 790 S. Buchanan Street, 7th Floor, Amarillo, Texas 79101, or call 1-800-895-4999 during normal business hours. A complete copy of this petition is available for inspection at the address listed above.

Persons who wish to formally participate in the proceeding, or who wish to express their comments concerning this petition should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, Office

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of Customer Protection, P. O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326 or call (512) 936-7120 or toll-free at (888) 782-8477. A request to intervene or for further information should reference Docket No. 52210 Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may call (512) 936-7136 or use Relay Texas (toll-free) 1-800-735-2989.

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#### AFFIDAVIT of PUBLICATION STATE

#### of TEXAS, COUNTY of POTTER

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared <u>Holly Ashley</u> the Admin. Assistant of the Amarillo Globe-News a newspaper having general circulation in the counties of: Armstrong, Carson, Castro, Collingsworth, Deaf Smith, Donley, Dallam/Hartley, Gray, Hall, Hansford, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Sherman, Swisher, Wheeler, TEXAS, who being duly sworn, deposes and says that the foregoing attached notice was published in said newspaper on the following date(s), to wit:

Ad# 16107101

Admin. Assistant

Amarillo Globe News

Gatehouse Media Texas Holding Inc.

NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the State of Texas

My commission expires 1-7-2023

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21\_day of 10th 2011.



## **The Booker News**

# State Capital Highlights

by Gary Borders, Texas Press Association

## Disaster declaration follows Nicholas

counties have been declared August than July. disaster areas after Hurricane came dumping more than a foot of 4,200 as of Sunday.

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Counties included in Gov. federal government, Aransas, Brazoria, Calhoun, over the country's borders. Chambers, Galveston, Harris, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Matagorda, Montgomery, Newton, Nueces, Orange, Victoria.

company to report damage.

· Take pictures and video as of Sunday. of the damage. Don't throw anything away until your confirmed insurance adjuster tells you.

holes to keep rain out.

tdi.texas.gov/consumer/ in the entire state. storms/home-damaged-faq.

#### Haitians flood into Del Rio, prompting bridge closure

Thousands of refugees fleeing unrest and a severe earthquake population. have flooded into Del Rio on the Texas-Mexico border, prompting the city's mayor beneath it.

Joe Biden, reported the San and for the State Board of & Wildlife Department news Antonio Express-News.

crossed, while the Biden by Republican leaders drew concern, which are rare or administration on Saturday fire from the other side of the declining and need special accelerated flights to deport aisle, according to the Texas efforts to prevent being listed migrants back to Haiti. Abbott Tribune. called it a "border crisis" and ordered Texas Department R-Houston proposed a map of Public Safety troopers and that redraws two districts — award-winning the Texas National Guard to hers and that of Angela Paxton, journalist. He maintain a presence around R-McKinney, to include a number of community ports of entry in an attempt to comfortable majorities of newspapers in Texas during deter additional entries.

migrants at Del Rio, U.S. saw voters narrowly favor Joe Nacogdoches and Cedar and Protection said there were 2% State fewer overall encounters of Powell, D-Burleson, said

had been reduced to about Protection, according to the she said in a statement. Houston Chronicle. The Greg Abbott's declaration are states, has ultimate authority every 10 years.

#### COVID cases drop, but deaths increase

The number of new Refugio, San Patricio, and COVID-19 cases in the state decreased about 7% from The Texas Department of the previous week, with Insurance has a number of 111,565 reported by the tips for those affected by the Coronavirus Resource Center at Johns Hopkins University. · Call your insurance However, new deaths were up slightly, with 1,800 reported help break down barriers

COVID-19 hospitalizations in Texas creative ways and improving · Make temporary repairs dropped slightly, with the to prevent more damage. Texas Department of State Remove standing water. Health Services reporting Cover broken windows and 12,246 inpatients, down 7.8% from the previous week. · Keep a list of the repairs However, with 3,618 of those and save receipts. Don't make hospitalized in intensive-care permanent repairs before the unit beds, the total number insurance adjuster sees the of available staffed adult ICU beds declined to just For more information from 277 statewide, with only 86 TDI, go to the website, www. pediatric ICU beds available living in rural areas using

> The number of Texans who are fully vaccinated continues to creep upward, with 14.46 million reported in the state, Haitian according to DSHS. That political is 49.6% of the state's total

#### Third special session focuses on redistricting

The Texas Legislature to declare an emergency and convened Monday for its close the bridge with more third special session with the than 15,000 migrants crowded focus on redrawing political boundaries for House and U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz blamed Senate districts, as well as for the situation on President the state's congressional seats Education.

Border agents are working Before the session began, process those who proposed state senate districts of 1,300 Texas species of

State Sen. Joan Huffman, federal regulations. voters who backed Donald a 30-year span, including Despite the influx of Trump in 2020. Both districts in Longview, Fort Stockton, Border Biden in the 2020 election.

Sen.

Seventeen Southeast Texas migrants along the border in the reconfigured map gives Republicans in her district Abbott backtracked on an unfair advantage. "The ashore, an order to shut down entry proposed State Senate map is points along the border, a direct assault on the voting rain and cutting off power which the state does not rights of minority citizens to a half-million customers have the legal power to do, in Senate District 10 and, if in Texas, according to unless granted permission adopted, it would be an act of poweroutage.us. That number by U.S. Customs and Border intentional discrimination,'

Redistricting promises to be not a fiercely fought battle, as it is

#### Up to \$5 million for rural hospitals

Rural hospitals in Texas are set to receive up to \$5 million in federal funding to help underserved Texans, the Health and Human Services Commission announced last week.

"As we work to address health disparities throughout the state, this funding will to accessing care while The number of lab- connecting rural Texans with health care providers in overall health outcomes within their communities," said Trey Wood of the HHSC.

The funding is coming from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Texas is one of four recipients of the grants, designed to "address health disparities, improve health outcomes, and meet the unique needs of Texans telemedicine," according to HHSC.

Texas horned lizard making comeback with coalition's

A coalition of zoos and wildlife scientists has released into the wild 204 captiveraised hatchlings of the once ubiquitous Texas horned lizard, more commonly known as the horny toad. New evidence indicates that previously released lizards are successfully reproducing, according to a Texas Parks release.

The horned lizard is one as endangered under state or

Gary Borders is a veteran Park. Email: gborders@ Beverly texaspress.com.

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	has been regularly and continuously published in said county for
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	notice ofD52210-2021 surcharge
	was published in said newspaper for at least week(s)
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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Readers,

I have been a life long resident of Shamrock, I graduated here and my husband and I own 2 businesses here. I have several concerns regarding our city and how it is being managed. I understand that Mr. Potts inherited the mess we have here BUT how he responds to the citizens does fall on him, for example, when we had the recent leaks one of our buildings on Main St. that is a future business flooded, and we don't even have the water turned on.

When the city manager was asked what was going to be done about the damage he just simply walked away. Good customer service, I think not. Our residential water bill has almost doubled and now they want increase our city taxes for a building we don't even need. We have a city hall and to move it from downtown is a slap in the face to the businesses downtown. How can the city push for businesses to move into downtown when city hall wants to move from its present location. If it needs upgrades pay for the upgrades not build a brand new building. I have always heard "what you allow will continue" so my question is to the citizens of Shamrock, what are we going to allow to continue? I love our little town and want nothing more than for it to flourish. Let's talk about the trash, the fact that our water bills have increased tremendously there is no reason why residents who pay for city water should have to pay to take trash out to the landfill. In past years, all we had to do was show a water bill to be able to dump trash. Trash around town is piling up in alleys and next to dumpsters because people either can't afford to take the bulk to the dump or don't have any way to haul it there. Bulk trash pick up here in town is much needed especially if we are paying what we are for water.

#### **Christie Evans** Shamrock

Dear Readers, I am writing to inform you that I recently went on the Wheeler County Tax Office website, out rent city council and mayor were paying for property taxes on their homes for city taxes. I can only speak for myself but I pay over two and half times more taxes than the highest tax payer of our current mayor and councilmen, if the numbers were posted correctly. I would like to make a deal with them. If they will raise their taxes to what mine will be after their tax raise, I will gladly vote for the bond, otherwise I will be voting NO! I'm pretty confident that they won't take that challenge and also that they will raise our taxes regardless of the bond election outcome. I hope they will reconsider what has been proposed. I read in the paper that our mayor said "If you don't grow you dwindle to nothing." How do you grow if people leave because they can't afford to live here? I'm aware that we have a lot of problems and issues with our town but I think there has to be some better solutions. Our city going into further debt doesn't make sense to me.

> **Concerned Tax Payer Lewis Perkins**

Letter to Editor,

During the Labor Day weekend we spent several days without city water. Since then we have experienced several water shut offs due to a blowout in our water system. There are still leaks on the city streets right now. This is a serious problem. Water is a necessity- but is the city proposal to raise our taxes for a better water system? No! Instead, it's for an overly expensive (and unnecessary) Convention Center. Instead of concentrating on the needs of Shamrock- such as a better water system, paving the severely pockmarked streets resulting from the multitude of water leaks, and drawing more businesses to fill our empty stores on main street, the current town council wants to vote on raising our taxes to pay an additional 2 million dollars for a Convention Center for Convention Center to also house new city offices- leaving more empty buildings in town. When citizens are asked about replacing our Community Center the consensus seems to be put it back on the original site, staying within the budget of the insurance money. Few people (and none I've spoken to) want an overblown, and overly expensive Convention Center! The Convention Center being proposed by the city council, in the my opinion, is too expensive and unnecessary. We need a Community Center we can afford, better streets and a complete new water system before we need an over priced and over blown Convention Center. Not only is the proposed Convention Center not needed, but it will increase our taxes! Any increased taxes would be better utilized for a new water system and street paving. A new building connected to an antiquated water line is not a good match. We all know is touted as a small tax increase this year becomes an annual increase for some other pressing need.

Wanda Parker

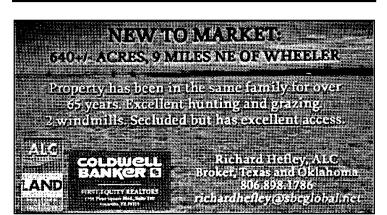
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next 6 days to complete 254 counof curiosity, to see what our cur-ties. A schedule is posted on the website. Nine of his children will be actively involved in the tour. Landon will be overseeing recording the documentary for the tour. Victoria is taking care of the website and social media accounts. Moriah and Audria will join him for the run on one of the days. Keegan will be running most of the tour with his father. Lucas will also be running some as well as working with social media on the actual tour. Libby, Elijah, and Darcee will also be joining their dad for some of the run. Others are encouraged to show up and join him in the run as he prays over each county. You are welcome to run or walk the mile with him (times and specific locations will be posted on Facebook and Instagram). Daily family devotions will also be posted for you to follow. Tshirts can be found for sale on the website as well as other ways you can support the Heart of Elijah Tour and the mission to turn the hearts of families back to God. Joe will be crossing the Collingsworth/Wheeler County line Tuesday, October 5th at approximately 7 a.m.

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## **Dalhart Texan**



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PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FOR \$
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CREDIT FOR THE HOLD-HARMLESS \$
PAYMENT FROM LUBBOCK POWER \$
AND LIGHT TO SOUTHWESTERN \$
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY \$

### PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF TEXAS

### SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY'S FORM OF REVISED NOTICE

Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") submitted a proposed form of notice with the application filed in this docket on August 18, 2021. Since that time, SPS has learned that the form of notice provided with the application was inaccurate. By this pleading, SPS provides a revised form of notice. SPS requests that Public Utility Commission of Texas Staff evaluate the sufficiency of this revised form of notice, and that the Administrative Law Judge approve this revised form of notice.

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On August 18, 2021, Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS"), doing business as Xcel Energy, filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission") to implement a credit payable to Texas retail customers as a result of a 2018 settlement in Commission Docket No. 47576. As part of that 2018 settlement, Lubbock Power and Light ("LP&L") agreed to make a one-time payment of \$24 million to SPS on the date that LP&L integrated part of its electrical grid into the Electric Reliability Council of Texas ("ERCOT") grid. On May 31, 2021, LP&L completed the partial integration of its grid into the ERCOT grid, and on June 1, 2021 SPS received the \$24 million payment from LP&L.

In the Docket No. 47576 stipulation, SPS agreed to allocate the \$24 million payment among its Texas retail, New Mexico retail, and wholesale customers based on the 12 Coincident Peak transmission load-ratio shares for the 12 months ending with the integration date, as adjusted to remove the LP&L load. Under that allocation method, the Texas retail share of the payment is \$10.763.310, including applicable interest. In the Docket No. 47576 stipulation. SPS further agreed to allocate the Texas retail portion of the payment among the Texas retail customer classes using the most recent approved transmission-cost-recovery-factor baselines.

SPS will provide Texas retail customers in the Residential Service, Small General Service, Secondary General Service, and Small Municipal and School Service classes with their portion of the credit based on usage from October 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 in billing for that time period, with interest accruing on the unpaid amounts during November and December 2021. SPS will provide the remaining Texas retail customer classes with their portion of the credit based on usage during October 1, 2021 in billing for that month.

SPS proposes to true-up the credit to ensure that Texas retail customers receive no more and no less than the amount agreed to in Docket No. 47576.

This application, if granted, will affect all Texas retail customers. The credit that SPS proposes to provide to Texas retail customers affects only the base rate portion of the rates charged by SPS for electricity in Texas and has no effect on SPS's fuel costs.

The effect of the credit on customer bills will vary depending on the rate schedule under which a customer takes service. The following table shows how SPS's proposed credit would affect each customer class.

Class	Duration	Rate	Unit	Total Credit	
Residential	Three-month	S(0.005642)	kWh	S	(3,345,208)
Small General	Three-month	\$(0.005503)	kWh	\$	(334,131)
Secondary General	Three-month	\$(1.495)	kW	\$	(2,263,517)
Primary General Low Load Factor *	One-month	Individual Calc	kW	\$	(924)
<u>SAS-4</u> *	One-month	Individual Calc	kW	S	(103,708)
Primary General	One-month	\$(5.053)	kW	S	(1,255,320)
Large General Service – Transmission, 69kV	One-month	Individual Calc	kW	S	(590,353)
Large General Service – Transmission, 115kV	One-Month	Individual Calc	kW	\$	(2.506.950)
Small Municipal and School	Three-month	\$(0.002879)	kWh	S	(12,633)
Large Municipal Primary	One-month	\$(2.659)	kW	\$	(21,242)
Large Municipal Secondary	One-month	\$(3.239)	kW	S	(118,737)
Large School Primary	One-month	S(2.133)	kW	S	(2,151)
Large School Secondary	One-month	\$(2.561)	kW	S	(176,299)
Street Lighting	One-month	\$(0.010151)	kWh	S	(18,026)
Area Lighting	One-month	S(0.007031)	kWh	\$	(14,122)
Total				\$	(10,763,321)

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### AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

#### STATE OF TEXAS **COUNTY OF DALLAM**

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Brittni Turner, who being by me duly sworn, deposes and says that she is a representative of the Dalhart Texan; that said newspaper is regularly published in Dallam County, Texas, and is generally circulated within the following counties Dallam and Hartley, Texas; that the attached notice was published in said newspaper on the following date:

September 24, 2021 Brittni Turner, Public Notice Representative Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of , 2021, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office. Notary Public in and for the State of Texas (sign name) (seal) LYLA WOMBLE Notary Public, State of Texas

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## The Miami Chief

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# AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF ROBERTS

Before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public,
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known to me, and who being by me first duly sworn, on oath,
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that said newspaper is one of general circulation
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Public Notice
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In the County of Roberts, State of Texas, That a copy of the attached was inserted in said newspaper for one issue such publication on the following day(s) to wit:

September 23, 2021

EDITOR/PUBLISHER

THE MIAMI CHIEF

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this the 30 day of September 2021 A.D

Notary Public, Roberts County Texas

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## **Muleshoe Journal**

# The Pampa News

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## Health Tips:

## What's with all the salmonella alerts for people and dog food?



It seems like every and surfaces and on to week, the Food and pets and people. Your best Administration issues an alert about salmonella contamination in the food supply. You're told to avoid eating prosciutto and salami (we say they're always to be avoided anyway) or to ditch your dog's fancy food. Recent outbreaks of salmonella illness have been linked to contaminated fruit and vegetables, eggs, raw chicken, cooked shrimp and ground turkey. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates salmonella causes 1.2 million foodborne

Where does it come from? Salmonella bacteria live in the intestines of people and animals and spread to agricultural products through contaminated water or they're dispersed directly in food production/packaging facilities. Kids younger than 5, adults over age 65 and anyone with a weakened immune system are most vulnerable to severe consequences from the diarrhea, fever and abdominal cramps that the bacteria can trigger.

illnesses and 450 deaths annually in the U.S.

Although cooking kills salmonella, just bringing contaminated products into your kitchen risks spreading the infectious bacteria to other foods

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include grains, fruits, vegetables, and even manufactured sources known as functional fiber. The bottom line is food that contains whole grains is not nec-

essarily high in fiber. While whole grains

are your best choice in the grain food group, many plant products are rich in fiber and nutrition, including nuts, seeds, fruits, and vegetables. Set your goal of fiber intake to at least 20 grams per day. If you're not used to eating a high-fiber diet, begin with 10 grams a day and work up to a goal of 20-35 grams each day. Remember to drink plenty of water when increasing fiber intake to ease the digestive process.

Until next time, be healthy! Dear Dietitian

Leanne McCrate, RDN, LD, CNSC, is an award-winning dietitian based in Missouri. Her mission is to educate consumers on sound, scientifically-based nutrition. Do you have a nutrition question? Email her today at deardietitian411@gmail.com. Dear Dietitian does not endorse any products, health programs, or diet plans.

- ting boards for raw meat and produce.
- -- Never placing cooked food on an unwashed plate that's had raw meat
- -- Never eating unpasteurized raw eggs or unbaked cookie dough.
- -- Washing your hands especially frequently, after changing a diaper, cleaning up pet feces or handling raw animal products.
- Cooking meats/ poultry to recommended temperatures. Check out www.FoodSafety.gov; search for "safe minimum cooking temperatures."

#### -- Using separate cut- Water, walking and heart health

The film "Gerry," staring Casey Affleck and Matt Damon, tells the story of two boys who wander -- and wander and wander -- in the desert without food or water. The movie bewildered film critic Roger Ebert, who said the more he watched it, the less he liked it and the more he admired it.

What we admire is folks who know how good it is to walk -- and walk and walk -- but who are smart enough to stay well-hydrated. Those qualities are the keys to a longer,

two new studies.

of blood sodium levels in vascular and function, and are asleast 54 to 71 ounces of tine, heading for 10,000 water a day and men at steps daily. Then you

least 68 to 101 ounces. second study head into older age. looked at 33,000 heart patients, average age 62 at the start, for around

healthier life according to seven years, and found that folks who finally The first followed al- got active (for at least most 16,000 folks ages 150 minutes weekly) 44 to 66 for 15 years and later in life lowered found that staying well- their risk of death from hydrated every day pre- all causes by 45% and vents chronic elevation for death from cardiodisease by midlife, which can dam- 27% compared to folks age your heart structure who were never active. So make sure you're sociated with heart failure drinking plenty of wa-25 years later. To stay hy- ter and, whatever your drated, women need at age, start a walking rou-

won't miss a beat as you

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#### AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF GRAY

Before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public, in and for said County and State, this day personally appeared

Carrie Hair, known to me, and who being by me first duly sworn, on oath, deposes and says that she is the

Business Manager

of The Pampa News, a newspaper published in said Gray, County Texas; that said newspaper is one of general circulation in Gray County, Texas, regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date or the first publication of the attached Notice:

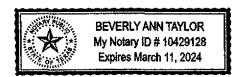
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In the County of Gray, State of Texas, that a copy of the attached was inserted in said Newspaper for 1 issue(s) such publication on the following day(s) to wit: Sept. 23, 2021

Business Manager
THE PAMPA NEWS

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 23RD day of Sept., 2021

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Published in Sherman County Gazette September 23, 2021 LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF STRATFORD, TEXAS **BUDGET HEARING** 

In accordance with the State of Texas statutes and provisions of the City of Stratford, notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on the 2021-2022 budget for the City of Stratford, Texas on September 28, 2021 at 6:00 pm. The hearing will be held at City Hall Council Chambers, 518 N. 3rd, Stratford, Texas.

Greg Wright, Mayor City of Stratford

#### **Governor Abbott** Announces **Operation Lone Star Grant Progr<u>am To</u> Enhance Border Security Operations**

AUSTIN - Governor Greg Abbott today announced the availability of \$100 million in grant funding through the Operation Program to enhance interagency border security opter and interdict criminal activity and detain noncitizens arrested for state crimes related to the border crisis. "The grant funding available through this program will strengthen our response to the crisis at the border and help keep our communities safe," said Governor Abbott. "I encourage local governments to apply for these funds to enhance our ongoing collaborative efforts to deter illegal immigration and prevent the smuggling of people, drugs, weapons, and other contraband into our state." As part of the HB 9 appropriations bill signed on Friday, the OLS Grant Program will assist local law enforcement, jail administrators, medical examiners, and court administration officials in the execution of coordinated border security operations through:

Supplementing law enforcement surge operations in support of OLS.

Capacity expansion for detention operations associated with increased criminal activity due to surges in illegal migration.

Supporting county medical examiner offices in the humane processing of the remains of undocumented migrants.

Increasing capacity and expediency in the magistration and criminal trials of OLS defendants.

Increasing capacity to provide indigent defense to OLS defendants.

The Governor's Public Safety Office (PSO) is responsible for administering the OLS Grant Program. Local units of government that are interested in learning more about this program can view the funding announcement via https:// Lone Star (OLS) Grant egrants.gov.texas.gov/ fundopp.aspx. Applicants can also contact PSO via erations supporting OLS, egrants@gov.texas.gov or including the facilitation at 512-463-1919. Goverof directed actions to de- nor Abbott launched Operation Lone Star in early March to help secure the border and combat the smuggling of people and drugs in Texas. There are currently thousands of state personnel, including DPS troopers, agents, and rangers, and National Guard soldiers who are engaged in the mission and working with local law enforcement. The Governor expanded the mission shortly after its launch to include anti-human trafficking efforts. Governor Abbott's plan to secure the border also includes the construction of a border wall, in addition to the use of strategic fencing and other barriers. A project manager for the initial stage of building the wall was announced September 16. On Friday, the Governor signed HB 9 which appropriated \$1.8 billion to Texas border security efforts. Among other things, the funding will add more National Guard and additional resources to better secure the border.

#### **Governor Abbott:** <u>Texas Will Continue</u> **Surging State Resources To Secure The Border**

AUSTIN – Governor Greg Abbott today held a press conference in Del Rio where he vowed to continue surging state resources

to secure the border and address the chaos in Del Rio created by the Biden Administration. During his remarks, Governor Abbott thanked the Texas Department of Public Safety, the Texas Military Departfor their robust response to the Biden Administra-16,000 migrants arriving at the Del Rio International Bridge over the past week. that the State of Texas will continue to strategically deploy resources to other areas along the borjoined at the press conferof Public Safety Direc-Military Department Adjutant General Tracy Norris, and National Border Brandon Judd. Speaker Dade Phelan, Representa-Patterson, Tracy King, and JM Lozano, Del Rio Mayor Bruno Lozano, Val Owens were also in attendance. During his remarks, members of the Texas Leg-Bill 9, legislation providing an additional \$2 billion in border security funding. "The State of Texas is taksafe," said Governor Abbott. "The Biden Adminisillegal crossings on a federal dam poses life-threaten-

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Docket No. 52210 Docket No. 52210 the protection of our nation's sovereignty. I thank the brave men and women of the Texas Department of Public Safety and the Texas National Guard for stepping up in the federal government's absence to address this crisis." Governor Greg Abbott yesterday announced the availability of \$100 million in grant funding through the Operation Lone Star Grant Program to enhance interagency border security operations supporting OLS. On Monday, the Governor sent a letter to President Joe Biden requesting an emergency declaration for the State of Texas as a result of the escalating crisis at the border, specifically

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## **ATTACHMENT B**

# Order Receipt

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From: Archer, Rhonda A

To: CMcgaha@localiq.com

Subject: D52210 - 2021 Fuel Surcharge Legal Notice

Date: Tuesday, September 21, 2021 12:16:00 PM

Attachments: Attachment A - Proposed Form of Notice 6-4-21.pdf

Importance: High

Please find attached the Legal Notice for D52210 -2021 Fuel Surcharge which we need published in your next available publication.

As soon as a proof is ready, please send me the following:

- 1. Proof of the publication to be published (Scanned Copy)
- 2. Tear Sheet, along with the Affidavit (Proof of Publication)
- 3. Invoice reflecting the date of publication and statement of reference to "D52210-2021 Fuel Surcharge" (Scanned Copy)

I'm requesting a scanned copy, because I'm still working from home and I do not go into the office, so as soon as I receive the above mentioned, I will call and pay the invoice in question.

Thank you for your assistance and I look forward to hearing from you.

## Rhonda Archer

Xcel Energy | Responsible By Nature Regulatory Administrator

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#### AFFIDAVIT of PUBLICATION STATE

#### of TEXAS, COUNTY of LUBBOCK

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Holly Ashley the Administrative Assistant of the Lubbock Avalanche Journal a newspaper having general circulation in the counties of: Cochran, Crosby, Dawson, Floyd, Gaines, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Motley, Terry, and Yoakum, TEXAS, who being duly sworn, deposes and says that the foregoing attached notice was published in said newspaper on the following date(s), to wit:

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Administrative Assistant

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