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#### Via Electronic Filing

Chairman Peter M. Lake Commissioner Will McAdams Commissioner Lori Cobos Commissioner Jimmy Glotfelty 1701 N. Congress Avenue Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Docket No. 52682 – *Project for Commission Ordered Transmission Facilities*Sharyland Utilities, L.L.C.'s February 1, 2022 Quarterly Progress Report

Dear Commissioners:

Please find attached Sharyland Utilities, L.L.C.'s ("Sharyland") February 1, 2022 Quarterly Progress Report regarding the status of completing the construction of the transmission lines and facilities ordered by the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission") at the September 23, 2021 open meeting. The Commission's written order was subsequently issued on October 14, 2021 in Project No. 52682.

The Commission's order in this project required that: (i) Sharyland, Electric Transmission Texas, LLC ("ETT"), and South Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("STEC") construct a new second circuit on the existing double-circuit capable 345-kV transmission line between the San Miguel station and the Palmito station; and (ii) Sharyland and AEP Texas, Inc. ("AEP Texas") construct new 345-kV transmission facilities to close the loop from Palmito to North Edinburg. For the second circuit project, Sharyland will construct approximately 47 miles of the new circuit, beginning at Sharyland's Palmito station and progressing west toward AEP Texas's North Edinburg station, along with an expansion of the Palmito station to accept the second circuit. For the close-the-loop project, which is now referred to as the "La Palma to Kingfisher" project, Sharyland will construct the new Kingfisher station and half of the new 345-kV transmission line connecting the Kingfisher station to AEP Texas's La Palma station. Sharyland and AEP Texas are preparing to file a certificate of convenience and necessity ("CCN") application for the La Palma to Kingfisher project as soon as practicable, but no later than June 30, 2022.

As required by the order in Project No. 52682, the attached Quarterly Progress Report addresses, at a minimum:

- Tasks that are necessary to complete the construction of the transmission lines and facilities with time estimates for completing each task;
- A log of tasks and construction that have been completed;
- The identification of all reliability and safety measures that are necessary to complete
  the construction of the transmission lines and facilities, including the progress to date
  on those measures;
- The identification of coordination efforts with the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. that are necessary to reliably complete the construction of the transmission lines and facilities, including the progress to date on those efforts;

• Explanation of any delays, including supply-chain issues, with supporting documentation that explains the reason for any delay.

As addressed in the attached progress report, tasks completed for Sharyland's portion of the second circuit project include (i) awarding the engineering, procurement, and construction management contract for the work and (ii) preliminary design for the Palmito station expansion. For the La Palma to Kingfisher project, completed tasks include (i) identification of the preferred Kingfisher station location; (ii) preliminary design of the Kingfisher station; (iii) defining the study area in which proposed alternative transmission line routes will be developed for the CCN application; (iv) mapping of constraints in the study area; and (v) sending agency letters that solicit comments on the project to be addressed in the environmental assessment and alternative route analysis.

If you have any questions regarding this Quarterly Progress Report, please feel free to contact me at the above-provided phone number or email address, or Vicki Oswalt at (512) 721-2740 or voswalt@huntutility.com.

Respectfully submitted,

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# Public Utility Commission of Texas LRGV Second Circuit Progress Report Executive Summary



#### Summary

Report Period	1Q 2022	Cores Sel Co- Comp Sel CV  Examp Sel CV  Examp Sel CV  Example Cores  Example Cor
Line Miles	47	Parameter and DDD V  Company and
Counties Affected	Cameron	- Service of the serv
% Complete – Design	3%	Lato Post.
% Complete – Procurement	0%	
% Complete - Construction	0%	Contra
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#### **Program Description**

The LRGV Second Circuit Project involves the installation of a second circuit on the existing double-circuit capable 345kV transmission line extending from the San Miguel 345kV Station, through Fowlerton, Lobo, Cenizo, Del Sol, Pomelo, North Edinburg and Stewart Road, terminating at Sharyland's Palmito 345kV Station ("Palmito"), located north of the Port of Brownsville. Sharyland owns the eastern-most portion of this transmission line, commencing at Palmito and proceeding westerly for approximately 47 miles. Sharyland will be responsible for engineering, designing and constructing the eastern most 47 miles of the 2nd circuit, as well as the expansion of Palmito to serve as the eastern-most terminus of the 2nd circuit. This report only addresses Sharyland's portion of the project from Kingfisher to Palmito.

#### **Overall Progress Summary**

**Completed** EPCm contract awarded; Palmito Station conceptual design established

In Progress Prepare line construction bid package; detailed transmission line design; detailed substation design

**Upcoming** Line construction bidding; Procurement package development

#### **Reliability and Safety Measures and Progress**

No updates

#### **ERCOT Coordination Efforts and Regulatory Issues**

Preparing outage requests for submission to ERCOT.

# Public Utility Commission of Texas LRGV Second Circuit Progress Report Kingfisher to Palmito Second Circuit Addition



# Summary

Report Period	1Q 2022
TSP Project Number	TPSU.21.000016
Line Miles	47
Counties Affected	Cameron
% Complete – Design	2%
% Complete – Procurement	0%
% Complete - Construction	0%
Project Description	Install a second 345-kV circuit on the Sharyland's portion of the existing 345-kV transmission line

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#### **Project Progress Summary**

**Completed** EPCm contract awarded

In Progress Detailed transmission line design; Prepare line construction bid package; ROW/Easement document review;

that runs from the new Kingfisher station to

Sharyland's Palmito station.

Develop material procurement packages

**Upcoming** Issue bid packages for line contraction and materials

	Project Tasks a	nd Time Estimates	
Project Tasks	Plan	Baseline	Actual
<u>Design Start</u>	OCT 21	TBD	TBD
Design Finish	SEP 22	TBD	TBD
<u>Procurement Start</u>	FEB 22	TBD	TBD
Procurement Finish	NOV 23	TBD	TBD
Construction Start	OCT 23	TBD	TBD
<b>Construction Finish</b>	MAR 24	TBD	TBD
<b>Energization</b>	MAR 24	TBD	TBD

# **Project Delays**

No Updates

#### **Protected Information**

No Updates

# Public Utility Commission of Texas LRGV Second Circuit Progress Report Palmito Station Expansion



# **Summary**

Report Period	1Q 2022
TSP Project Number	TPSU.21.000015
Line Miles	N/A
Counties Affected	Cameron
% Complete – Design	1%
% Complete - Procurement	0%
% Complete - Construction	0%
<u>Project Description</u>	Expand Sharyland's existing 345kV Palmito Station to accept a second circuit.



# **Project Progress Summary**

**Completed** Preliminary station design

In Progress EPC contract scope/pricing/schedule review

**Upcoming** EPC contract execution; Detailed station design; Prepare material procurement packages

	Project Tasks a	nd Time Estimates	
Project Tasks	Plan	Baseline	Actual
<u>Design Start</u>	OCT 21	TBD	TBD
<u>Design Finish</u>	SEP 22	TBD	TBD
Procurement Start	FEB 22	TBD	TBD
Procurement Finish	JUL 23	TBD	TBD
Construction Start	OCT 22	TBD	TBD
Construction Finish	MAR 24	TBD	TBD
<u>Energization</u>	MAR 24	TBD	TBD

# **Project Delays**

No Updates.

# **Protected Information**

No updates

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ID	Task Name	Start	Finish	Duration	S O N D	J F M A M	J J A S	S O N D	J F M A	M 1 1	A S O N D	J F M	A M J J A	S O N D
0	SU PROGRAM	Sep-21	Mar-24	30 mos										
1	Kingfisher to Palmito 2nd Circuit Addition*													
5	Engineering	Oct-21	Sep-22	12 mos		Engineering								
6	Procurement	Feb-22	Nov-23	22 mos				Procure	ement					
7	Construction	Oct-23	Mar-24	6 mos							Const	ruction		
8	Palmito 345kV Station Expansion													
9	Engineering	Oct-21	Sep-22	12 mos		Engineering								
10	Procurement	Feb-22	Jul-23	18 mos			Pi	rocurement						
11	Construction	Oct-22	Mar-24	18 mos					(	Constructio	n			

<sup>\*</sup> Sharyland is responsbile for the engineering, design and construction of the eastern-most 47 miles of the San Miguel to Palmito line, commencing from Sharyland's Palmito 345kV station and progressing westward

# Public Utility Commission of Texas LRGV Closing the Loop Progress Report Executive Summary



#### Summary

1Q 2022 **Report Period Line Miles TBD** Cameron **Counties Affected** 0% % Complete - Design 0% % Complete - Procurement 0% % Complete - Construction **Contact Information** Mark Meyer (214) 978-8709 mmeyer@huntutility.com

#### **Program Description**

The Close the Loop ("CLT") initiative will increase load serving capability and system resiliency in the LRGV by creating looped 345kV transmission service to the region. This will be accomplished by connecting AEP's existing La Palma 345kV station to Sharyland's new Kingfisher 345kV station. Sharyland will connect Kingfisher into Sharyland's existing Palmito to Stewart Road double-circuit capable 345kV transmission line (to which a second circuit will be added) in close proximity to La Palma, which will be expanded by AEP. A new single circuit 345kV transmission line will be constructed between La Palma and Kingfisher, effectively "closing the loop".

#### **Overall Progress Summary**

Completed Preferred station location identified; Study area defined; Constraints mapped; Agency letters sent

In Progress Land negotiation (Kingfisher); Environmental/Routing analysis (La Palma – Kingfisher)

**Upcoming** Public meetings; Engineering contract negotiation

#### **Reliability and Safety Measures and Progress**

No Updates

#### **ERCOT Coordination Efforts and Regulatory Issues**

Co-developing CCN application with AEP Texas for La Palma - Kingfisher section of line.

# Public Utility Commission of Texas LRGV Closing the Loop Progress Report Kingfisher to La Palma 345-kV Transmission Line



### Summary

Report Period	1Q 2022
TSP Project Number	TPSU.21.000017
<u>Line Miles</u>	TBD
Counties Affected	Cameron
% Complete – Design	0%
% Complete – Procurement	0%
% Complete - Construction	0%
Project Description	Build half of the 345-kV transmission line between Sharyland's new 345-kV Kingsfisher switchyard and AEP's existing 345-kV La Palma

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#### **Project Progress Summary**

**Completed** Defined study area; Constraints mapped; Agency letters sent

station.

<u>In Progress</u> Preliminary link/route development; Environmental assessment; Prepare for public meetings; Review of

engineering scope/cost/schedule estimates

**<u>Upcoming</u>** Public meetings; CCN package preparation; Execute engineering/land acquisition/surveying contracts

	Project Tasks a	nd Time Estimates					
Project Tasks	Plan	Baseline	Actual				
CCN Filing	MAY 22	TBD	TBD				
CCN Approval	NOV 22	TBD	TBD				
<u>Design Start</u>	JUN 23	TBD	TBD				
Design Finish	MAY 24	TBD	TBD				
Procurement Start	FEB 23	TBD	TBD				
<b>Procurement Finish</b>	DEC 25	TBD	TBD				
Construction Start	SEP 25	TBD	TBD				
Construction Finish	FEB 26	TBD	TBD				
Energization	FEB 26	TBD	TBD				

#### **Project Delays**

No Updates.

#### **Protected Information**

No Updates

# Public Utility Commission of Texas LRGV Closing the Loop Progress Report Kingfisher 345-kV Switchyard



# **Summary**

Report Period	1Q 2022
TSP Project Number	TPSU.21.000018
Line Miles	TBD
Counties Affected	Cameron
% Complete – Design	0%
% Complete – Procurement	0%
% Complete - Construction	0%
Project Description	Build a new Kingfisher 345-kV switchyard.



# **Project Progress Summary**

Completed<br/>In ProgressPreferred site identified; Preliminary station designUpcomingLandowner negotiation; EPC scope/cost/schedule reviewUpcomingSecure station site; Execute EPC contract; Detailed design

Project Tasks and Time EstimatesProject TasksPlanBaselineActualDesign StartAPR 23TBDTBDDesign FinishMAR 24TBDTBDProcurement StartJAN 24TBDTBD										
Project Tasks	Plan	Baseline	Actual							
<u>Design Start</u>	APR 23	TBD	TBD							
Design Finish	MAR 24	TBD	TBD							
Procurement Start	JAN 24	TBD	TBD							
Procurement Finish	JUN 25	TBD	TBD							
Construction Start	OCT 24	TBD	TBD							
<b>Construction Finish</b>	MAR 26	TBD	TBD							
<b>Energization</b>	MAR 26	TBD	TBD							

# **Project Delays**

No Updates.

#### **Protected Information**

No Updates.

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0	SU PROGRAM	Sep-21	Mar-26	54 mos																
1	Kingfisher - La Palma 345kV Transmission Line**																			
2	CCN Preparation	Sep-21	May-22	6 mos		CCN Pre	paration													
3	CCN Approval Process	Jun-22	Nov-22	6 mos				CCN Approval												
4	Land Acquisition	Dec-22	Apr-23	9 mos					Lan	d Acquisition										
5	Engineering	Jun-23	May-24	12 mos							Enginee	ring								
6	Procurement	Feb-23	Dec-25	23 mos										Proc	urement					
7	Construction	Sep-25	Feb-26	6 mos													Const	ruction		
8	Kingfisher 345kV Station																			
9	Engineering	Apr-23	Mar-24	12 mos							Engineering									
10	Procurement	Jan-24	Jun-25	18 mos									Pr	rocurement						
11	Construction	Oct-24	Mar-26	18 mos												Construc	tion			
*	Sharyland is responsible for 1/2 of the final alignment of the	e 345 kV tran	smission line	, as approved	by the P	UCT														