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Re: Project No. 52682 – *Project for Commission Ordered Transmission Facilities; Q1 2024 Report*

To Whom It May Concern:

In the October 14, 2021 Order, the Commission ordered transmission service providers, including AEP Texas Inc. (AEP Texas), to provide quarterly progress reports to the Commission regarding the status in completing construction of the ordered transmission line and facilities. AEP Texas is hereby providing its first quarterly report for 2024.

AEP Texas is the owner of the existing North Edinburg and La Palma stations and will own half of the 345-kV transmission line from AEP Texas' existing La Palma station to the new Kingfisher station (the Kingfisher station will be built and owned by Sharyland Utilities). AEP Texas' portion of these two projects are as follows:

- (1) AEP Texas' North Edinburg Station Expansion which will terminate two new 345-kV transmission circuits related to the second circuit being added by ETT from the proposed new Greenfield 3 station and the second circuit being added by ETT on its portion of the existing Palmito to North Edinburg line and,
- (2) AEP Texas' La Palma station expansion and its half of the new La Palma to Kingfisher 345-kV double-circuit transmission line with the first circuit initially installed.

AEP Texas, in collaboration with Electric Transmission Texas, LLC, South Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc. (STEC), and Sharyland Utilities, have developed a format for reporting progress on a quarterly basis consistent with the October 14, 2021 Order. This format is used in the attached first quarterly report for 2024. If the Commission has any suggested edits or changes to this proposed format, please contact me at klgreuter@aep.com. AEP Texas will be reporting on the progress of each project as requested quarterly. Sharyland will be providing a duplicate update on its portion of the joint project as well and will be providing a more detailed schedule for the joint project in its update.

Sincerely,

Kensley Greuter
Regulatory Case Manager
AEP Texas Inc.

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LRGV Second Circuit Progress Report

Executive Summary



Summary

Report Period	1Q 2024
Line Miles	2.47 miles AEP Texas
Counties Affected	Cameron and Hidalgo County
% Complete-Design	100% for N. Edinburg Station Expansion. 9% for line design.
% Complete-Procurement	100% for N. Edinburg Station Expansion. 2% for line.
% Complete-Construction	0%
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Program Description

AEP Texas will expand existing North Edinburg station for new circuit terminations. AEP Texas and Sharyland will each build half of the Commission approved 345-kV transmission line from La Palma to Kingfisher. AEP Texas will also expand the La Palma station for new circuit termination. AEP Texas will build 2.47 miles of the new transmission line out of the La Palma station to the division point with Sharyland.

Overall Progress Summary

Completed: CCN Application approved December 15, 2020. Impacted landowners notice sent January 11, 2023.

In Progress: Engineering design 100 % complete and material procurement 100 % complete for North Edinburg station. Below grade work continuing. Landowner contact continues for easement permissions for approved La Palma to Kingfisher transmission line.

Upcoming: Easements acquisition, final structure siting and engineering, material ordering. North Edinburg station expansion work continues

Reliability and Safety Measures and Progress

This section will be updated as the project is further developed.

ERCOT Coordination Efforts and Regulatory Issues

Continue to work jointly with Sharyland in the construction of the La Palma to Kingfisher transmission line.

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AEP Texas La Palma to Kingfisher



Project Description

Report Period	1Q 2024
TSP Project Number	
Counties Affected	Cameron County
% Complete-Design	15%
% Complete-Procurement	5%
% Complete-Construction	0%
Project Description	Build half of a new 345-kV line from La Palma to Kingfisher and expand the La Palma station.



Project Progress Summary

Completed: CCN Application approved December 15, 2020. Impacted landowners notice sent January 11, 2023. Soil boring and survey complete.

In Progress: Landowner contact underway for easement permissions.

Design work on La Palma Expansion underway based on approved route entrance.

Upcoming: Easement acquisitions, final structure siting and engineering, construction contract executions.

Project Tasks and Time Estimates

Project Tasks	Plan	Baseline	Actual
<u>CCN Filing</u>	May 2022		June 2022
<u>CCN Approval</u>	Nov 2022	Dec 2022	Dec 2022
<u>Design Start</u>	April 2023		April 2023
<u>Design Finish</u>	March 2024		
<u>Procurement Start</u>	Aug 2023		
<u>Procurement Finish</u>	Dec 2024		
<u>Construction Start</u>	Oct 2024		
<u>Construction Finish</u>	March 2026		
<u>Energization</u>	March 2026		

Project Delays

No Updates.

Protected Information

This section will be updated as the project is further developed.

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AEP Texas North Edinburg Station Expansion



Project Description

Report Period	1Q 2024
TSP Project Number	TBD
Counties Affected	Hidalgo County
% Complete-Design	100%
% Complete-Procurement	100%
% Complete-Construction	35%
Project Description	Expand North Edinburg to terminate new ETT Greenfield 3 station to North Edinburg second circuit and new ETT North Edinburg to Sharyland POI second circuit



Project Progress Summary

Completed: Project team in place. All materials ordered and some have been received. Station scoping completed.

Upcoming: Outage plan being adjusted as the project advances. Procurement of engineering and construction resources continue.

Project Tasks and Time Estimates

Project Tasks	Plan	Baseline	Actual
Design Start	May 2022		June 2022
Design Finish	Dec 2023		
Procurement Start	Jan 2023		June 2022
Procurement Finish	July 2023		
Construction Start	May 2023		June 2023
Construction Finish	April 2024		
Energization	April 2024		

Project Delays

This section will be updated as the project is further developed. Risk to the project is extended material lead times.

Protected Information

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