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An AEP Company

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Public Utility Commission of Texas
PO Box 13326
Austin, Texas 78711-3326

Re: Project No. 52682 - Project for Commission Ordered Transmission Facilities; Q1 2025 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 2025.

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 2025. 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 and ETT will be providing a duplicate update on their portions of the joint project as well and will be providing a more detailed schedule for the joint project in their updates.

Sincerely,

Kensley Greuter Regulatory Case Manager

AEP Texas Inc.

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Executive Summary



Summary

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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: Construction at North Edinburg station is 100% complete. CCN Application approved December 15, 2020. Impacted landowners notice sent January 11, 2023.

In Progress: Landowner contact continues for easement permissions for approved La Palma to Kingfisher transmission line.

<u>Upcoming:</u> Easements acquisition, final structure siting and engineering, and material ordering.

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 2025			
TSP Project Number	TP2021588			
Counties Affected	Cameron County			
% Complete-Design	60%			
% Complete-Procurement	55%			
% 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

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

In Progress: Easement acquisition continuing with several tracts proceeding to condemnation due to lack of communication from landowners.

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			
CCN Filing	May 2022		June 2022			
CCN Approval	Nov 2022	Dec 2022	Dec 2022			
Design Start	April 2023		April 2023			
Design Finish	Dec 2025					
Procurement Start	Nov 2023					
Procurement Finish	Oct 2025					
Construction Start	Aug 2025					
Construction Finish	April 2026					
Energization	April 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 2025
TSP Project Number	TP2021705
Counties Affected	Hidalgo County
% Complete-Design	100%
% Complete-Procurement	100%

% Complete-Construction

95%

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: Construction is 100% complete.

Upcoming: Final relay settings and line protection coordination with Sharyland Utilities remains.

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