



July 26, 2023

Nancy Dippell
Missouri Public Service Commission
200 Madison Street, P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

RE: EA-2022-0234
NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, LLC

Dear Judge Dippell:

Pursuant to the December 8, 2022 *Order Approving Settlement* issued in Docket No. EA-2022-0234 (“Order”), NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, LLC (“NEET Southwest”) hereby submits its quarterly update on the construction progress of the NEET Southwest Wolf Creek-Blackberry 345 kV Transmission Project that spans Barton and Jasper counties in Missouri, as well as five counties in Kansas (“Project”).

GENERAL OVERVIEW

NEET Southwest has continued to advance the development of the Project in the second quarter of 2023. NEET Southwest is continuing to advance land acquisition activities, as well as negotiation of necessary agreements with Barton and Jasper counties, and has not yet commenced construction activities. NEET Southwest’s primary efforts in the second quarter of 2023 have included:

- Continuing voluntary negotiations with landowners
- Coordinating with Barton and Jasper counties to negotiate Road Use Agreements and Construction Mitigation Payments
- Continuing to negotiate Interconnection Agreements with Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. (“Evergy”) and Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. (“AECI”)

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

NEET Southwest continues to utilize an experienced team made up of internal and external subject matter experts to develop and execute the Project.

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS UPDATE

The Project has not commenced construction at this time and has experienced zero safety incidents to date.

REGULATORY UPDATE

FERC

NEET Southwest has not made any filings with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) in the second quarter 2023.

Southwest Power Pool

NEET Southwest is continuing to negotiate Transmission Interconnection Agreements with AECI and Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (“SPP”) for interconnection of the Project to the Blackberry Substation in Missouri, and with Evergy and SPP for interconnection to the Wolf Creek Substation in Kansas.

Agreements with Missouri Jurisdictional Public Utilities



NEET Southwest has not signed any agreements with Missouri-jurisdictional public utilities at this time.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Project Budget – Highly Confidential

The following is the estimated total budget for the Project. These estimates are subject to change as the Project continues to advance, including conducting preliminary engineering and determining the timing of materials procurement and construction planning.

The current total estimate for the Project

Spend to Date – Highly Confidential

As of July 1, 2023, NEET Southwest has spent a total of approximately [REDACTED] on the development of the Project, which includes [REDACTED]

Cost Category	Amount Expected to Have Been Spent to Date	Amount Spent to Date	Explanation of Increase and/or Decrease in Budget
Total costs	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

LAND UPDATE AND LANDOWNER COMMUNICATIONS

Easements Obtained

As of July 14, 2023, NEET Southwest has obtained approximately 104 total easements (10 in Missouri, 94 in Kansas) for the Project.

Landowner Contacts and Communications

NEET Southwest’s land representatives from Doyle Land Services (“Doyle”), working on behalf of NEET Southwest, have been contacting landowners directly by phone and email, as well as through in-person meetings at the request of the landowner, to advance easement negotiations and sign easements. NEET Southwest’s internal land agents have also coordinated with Doyle to meet directly with landowners when requested.

NEET Southwest is working with landowners to conduct micro-siting activities as requested by landowners. NEET Southwest has identified areas where minor route alterations are feasible and landowner requests can be accommodated.

Through its discussions with landowners, certain landowners have expressed dissatisfaction with proposed compensation. NEET Southwest has responded and followed up with those landowners to identify mutually agreeable solutions to the extent possible.

Landowners have also raised questions about how potential damages to crop- and pastureland and loss of use of agricultural land will be compensated. NEET Southwest has incorporated crop and pasture compensation clauses into landowner easement agreements to ensure landowners for any damage or loss of acreage.

NEET Southwest continues to monitor landowner questions and concerns via the project hotline. The hotline messages are forwarded to land agents to handle direct outreach to the landowners.

COUNTY AGREEMENTS AND OUTREACH

NEET Southwest is working on developing an outreach plan with each of the counties to ensure routine updates on project status. NEET Southwest continues to work towards initiating and finalizing Road Use Agreements and Construction Mitigation Payments in counties in Missouri.

AFFILIATE CONTRACTS

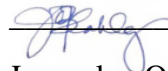
In the Order, the Commission required NEET Southwest to file a list of affiliate contracts related to operations, maintenance, and reliability. NEET Southwest is party to the affiliate contract below:

- Corporate Support Services, Shared Resources, and Operations and Maintenance Services Agreement, between NEET Southwest and NextEra Energy Resources, LLC, NextEra Energy Transmission, LLC, Florida Power & Light Company, and Lone Star Transmission, LLC, dated January 5, 2021

CONCLUSION

Please feel free to contact me with any additional questions.

Thank you,



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