

DESCRIPTION OF CORN BELT POWER COOPERATIVE:

Corn Belt Power Cooperative (“Corn Belt”) is an electric generation and transmission cooperative organized and existing under the laws of the State of Iowa. Corn Belt provides on a not-for-profit basis the wholesale power requirements of its nine rural electric cooperative members and one municipal electric cooperative association (the North Iowa Municipal Electric Cooperative Association). Corn Belt owns or controls approximately 337 MW of generating capacity through joint ownership arrangements and electric generating plants in Iowa that serves farms, rural residences, small towns and industries in Iowa.

NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING:

On October 30, 2015 in Docket No. ER16-209-000, Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP) filed revisions to its Open Access Transmission Tariff (Tariff), pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. §824d, and 18 C.F.R. Part 35 of the Commission’s Regulations. The proposed revisions add an Annual Transmission Revenue Requirement and implement a formula rate template and implementation protocols for transmission service using Central Power Cooperative Inc.’s (“Central Power”) facilities when Central Power transfers functional control of a portion of its transmission system to SPP. SPP filed these revisions on behalf and at the request of Central Power, a non-jurisdictional electric cooperative utility.

CORN BELT’S GROUNDS FOR INTERVENTION:

As a non-jurisdictional electric cooperative that has recently transferred certain transmission facilities to the functional control of SPP, Corn Belt will be directly affected by, and will have a significant interest in, the outcome of this proceeding. Corn Belt submits that its interests cannot be adequately represented by any other party. Accordingly, Corn Belt therefore respectfully requests that it be granted intervention in this proceeding, with full rights attendant to party status.