BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Application of NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Transact the Business of a Public Utility in the State of Kansas.

Docket No. 22-NETE-419-COC

COMPLIANCE FILING

Pursuant to the August 29, 2022 Order on Application for Certificate of Convenience and

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Necessity issued in Docket No. 22-NETE-419-COC, NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, LLC

("NEET Southwest") hereby submits its quarterly update on the development progress of the Wolf

Creek to Blackberry Project which spans Coffey, Anderson, Allen, Bourbon, and Crawford counties

in Kansas, as well as two counties in Missouri.

Pursuant to the Protective Order in this docket, certain information in the attached Compliance Filing has been marked as Confidential-Competitive as it contains information that is competitively sensitive for the purpose of future bidding for transmission facilities.

NEET Southwest is also required to file annual outage reports pursuant to Paragraph 10(o) of the Settlement Agreement in Docket No. 22-NETE-419-COC. Such annual reports will be filed after the Wolf Creek to Blackberry Project begins operation.

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AFFIRMATION OF ANDREW O. SCHULTE

I, Andrew O. Schulte, hereby swear and affirm that I am an attorney for NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, LLC, and that I have read the foregoing and that the facts set forth therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

<u>/s/ Andrew O. Schulte</u> Andrew O. Schulte

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was served upon the parties listed

below by email or U.S. mail, postage prepaid, this 30th day of April, 2025.

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April 30, 2025

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RE: 22-NETE-419-COC NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, LLC

Dear Ms. Retz:

Pursuant to the August 29, 2022 Order on Application for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity issued in Docket No. 22-NETE-419-COC ("Order"), NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, LLC ("NEET Southwest") hereby submits its quarterly update on the development progress of the NEET Southwest project which spans Coffey, Anderson, Allen, Bourbon, and Crawford counties in Kansas, as well as two counties in Missouri ("Project").

GENERAL OVERVIEW

NEET Southwest has continued to advance the development of the Project in the first quarter of 2025. NEET Southwest has completed land acquisition activities, all agreements with affected counties have been completed, and construction activities are ongoing along the approved route in Kansas and Missouri. All tree clearing activities are complete. NEET Southwest's primary efforts in the first quarter of 2025 have included:

- NEET Southwest is continuing with construction progress along the route in Kansas and Missouri.
- SPP has reviewed the Transmission Interconnection Agreement between NEET Southwest and Evergy Kansas Central, Inc. ("Evergy"). NEET Southwest and Evergy are finalizing the agreement and expect to sign the agreement in May 2025.
- Final reviews are complete on the joint operation agreement with Evergy and Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("AECI"). NEET Southwest expects to sign the agreement in May.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

NEET Southwest continues to work towards the In-Service date of July 15, 2025. 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

NEET Southwest has completed all tree clearing. NEET Southwest continues the installation of poles (currently there are ~526 out of 535 poles installed), and the Project is also over halfway complete with the installation of conductor and clipping.

REGULATORY UPDATE

FERC

On October 29, 2024, SPP filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"), on behalf and at the request of NEET Southwest, revisions to the SPP Tariff to incorporate NEET Southwest's Zonal Annual Transmission Revenue Requirement within the Evergy Zone (identified in the Tariff as Zone 14) (FERC Docket No. ER25-252-000).

Southwest Power Pool (SPP)

NEET Southwest has signed a Transmission Interconnection Agreement with AECI and SPP for interconnection of the Project to the Blackberry Substation in Missouri. NEET Southwest is finalizing the Transmission Interconnection Agreement with Evergy, and the agreement has already been reviewed by SPP and is expected to be signed in May 2025.

Agreements with Kansas Jurisdictional Public Utilities

NEET Southwest has signed all necessary crossing agreements with Kansas-jurisdictional electric public utilities. NEET Southwest has completed all agreements required for the Project with all public utilities with the exception of the interconnection and operations agreements with Evergy.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Project Budget – Confidential-Competitive

The following is the estimated total budget for the Project.

The current total estimate for the Project

Spend to Date – Confidential-Competitive

As of April 1, 2025, NEET Southwest has spent a total of approximately on the development of the Project, which includes

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

LAND UPDATE AND LANDOWNER COMMUNICATIONS

Easements Obtained

NEET Southwest has obtained 100% of the easements required for the Project.

Landowner Contacts and Communications

NEET Southwest continues to monitor landowner questions and concerns via the Project hotline. The hotline messages are forwarded to land agents to reach out directly to the landowners with additional follow-up from NEET Southwest personnel as needed.

COUNTY AGREEMENTS AND OUTREACH

NEET Southwest has executed Road Use Agreements with all counties in Kansas. On November 13, 2023, April 30, 2024, and June 3, 2024, NEET Southwest provided copies of executed Road Use Agreements to KCC Staff, as required by the Order on Siting Application in Docket No. 23-NETE-585-STG.

AFFILIATE CONTRACTS

NEET Southwest has not entered into any new affiliate contracts related to operations, maintenance, and reliability.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE

NEET Southwest has entered into a contract with Southeast Power Corp. ("Southeast") to provide emergency response services once the Project is operational. NEET Southwest will provide a copy of its contract with Southeast to the Commission upon project completion, consistent with the Order.

CONCLUSION

Please feel free to contact me with any additional questions.

Thank you,

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