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Business Practice No. 2: Large Generator Interconnection Information

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Policy Reference

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) Order No. 845, and the corresponding amendments to the Large Generator Interconnection Procedures (“LGIP”) require Golden Spread to post and maintain certain information and establish processes related to the large generator interconnection requests on the limited facilities that are included under its Open Access Transmission Tariff (“OATT”).

Definitions

No definitions other than those currently contained in the OATT.

Practice

Compliance with Obligation to Maintain Base Case Data

LGIP Section 2.3 obligates Golden Spread to maintain base power flow, short circuit and stability databases, including all underlying assumptions, and contingency list on either its OASIS site or a password-protected website. LGIP Section 2.3 further requires that network models and underlying assumptions be maintained on the OASIS or a password protected website as well.

Golden Spread is currently exempt from the requirement to maintain an OASIS website. It maintains transmission information at www.gsec.coop/transmission.

Golden Spread has yet to receive a generator interconnection request pursuant to the LGIP on its limited facilities that are included under its OATT. As of the date of the initial Business Practice No. 2, it has received only one small generator interconnection request since 2011. As a result, its information related to studies, databases, and assumptions, as well as its previously developed network models, are limited.

Upon receipt of a request pursuant to the LGIP, and given that Golden Spread does not operate a Balancing Authority Area (“BAA”) of its own, Golden Spread anticipates that it would utilize information from the Southwest Power Pool (“SPP”) to study any such request. Access to SPP’s most recent information can be found at the following website:

<https://www.spp.org/engineering/modeling/request-an-spp-transmission-mapmodel/>

SPP may require that the requesting customer execute confidentiality or non-disclosure agreements before the release of commercially sensitive information or Critical Energy Infrastructure Information.

To the extent Golden Spread develops its own Base Case data or other information relating to the requirements set out in LGIP Section 2.3, it will post such information (or the links to such information) on www.gsec.coop/transmission

Process for Surplus Interconnection Service

LGIP Section 3.3 obligates Golden Spread to permit an Interconnection Customer to utilize or transfer Surplus Interconnection Service at an existing Point of Interconnection.

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Should Golden Spread receive a request for Surplus Interconnection Service at a Point of Interconnection in the future, the original Interconnection Customer or its affiliates shall have priority. Golden Spread will notify the Interconnection Customer of any competing request, and that Interconnection Customer will have thirty (30) days to exercise its priority rights. The Interconnection Customer with the competing request will be notified within ten (10) days of any exercise of priority rights. Failure to exercise priority rights will result in all excess capacity available through Surplus Interconnection Service being released to other potential Interconnection Customers for a period up to one hundred and eighty (180) days.

All requests for Surplus Interconnection Service shall be studied pursuant to the requirements set forth in Section 3.3.1. Timelines and requirements for the study process shall be the same as the timelines for any new Large Generator Interconnection Request.