

**BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF SOUTHWESTERN )  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY’S )  
ANNUAL 2024 RENEWABLE ENERGY )  
PORTFOLIO PROCUREMENT PLAN )  
AND REQUESTED APPROVALS )  
THEREIN; PROPOSED 2024 )  
RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARD )  
COST RIDER; TERMINATION OF THE )  
RECONCILIATION RIDER; AND ) CASE NO. 23-00\_\_-UT  
OTHER ASSOCIATED RELIEF, )  
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SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE )  
COMPANY, )  
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APPLICANT. )**

**SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY’S  
RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARD APPLICATION  
FOR THE 2024 PLAN YEAR AND 2025 NEXT PLAN YEAR**

Southwestern Public Service Company (“SPS”) is a renewable energy leader in New Mexico, and this is reflected in the fact SPS has consistently met New Mexico’s goals with respect to the Renewable Portfolio Standard (“RPS”). As demonstrated in this application, SPS will continue to meet RPS standards for the 2024 Plan Year and 2025 Next Plan Year.

**I. Introduction**

In accordance with the Renewable Energy Act 1978 NMSA, §§ 62-16-1 to 62-16-10 (2019) (“REA”), the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission’s (“Commission or NMPRC”) Rule 572 (which governs Renewable Energy for Electric Utilities—17.9.572 NMAC), and the Commission’s Orders in SPS’s previous RPS cases, SPS requests the Commission enter a final order that:

- (a) acknowledges SPS’s concurrent filing of its 2022 Annual Renewable Energy Portfolio Report (“2022 RPS Report”) required under 17.9.572.19 NMAC;

- (b) approves SPS’s 2024 Annual Renewable Energy Act Plan (“2024 RPS Plan”)<sup>1</sup> for the 2024 Plan Year (“Plan Year”) and 2025 Next Plan Year<sup>2</sup> (“Next Plan Year”) under Rule 572.14, the REA, and prior Commission Orders related to SPS’s Plan Year and Next Plan Year RPS requirements;
- (c) approves SPS’s proposed rate for its 2024 RPS Rider,<sup>3</sup> which includes, without limitation, recovery of its RPS-related costs over a 12-month period beginning January 1, 2024, as set forth in Advice Notice No. 315, attached hereto;
- (d) approves SPS’s request to terminate its RPS Reconciliation Rider;
- (e) determines SPS’s 2024 RPS Plan complies with the annual filing requirements of Rule 572.14, the REA, and applicable prior Commission orders;
- (f) approves SPS’s 2024 Solar\*Connect Community Rate Rider, consistent with the final order in Case No. 18-00308-UT, as set forth in Advice Notice No. 316, attached hereto; and
- (g) grants all other approvals, authorizations, and relief that may be required for SPS to implement its 2024 RPS Plan under the REA, Rule 572, and the New Mexico Public Utility Act (“PUA”)<sup>4</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> The 2024 RPS Plan is provided in the Direct Testimony of SPS Witness Zoë E. Lees as Attachment ZEL-3.

<sup>2</sup> In accordance with 17.9.572.14 NMAC, SPS is submitting its 2025 Next Plan Year for informational purposes only.

<sup>3</sup> Approved in *In the Matter of Southwestern Public Service Company’s Application for Revision of its Retail Rates under Advice Notice No. 245*, Case No. 12-00350-UT, Final Order Partially Adopting Recommended Decision (Mar. 26, 2014).

<sup>4</sup> NMSA 1978, Ch. 62, Arts. 1 – 3, 4, 6, and 8-13; see *Tri-State Generation & Transmission Ass’n v. N.M. Pub. Regulation Comm’n*, 2015-NMSC-013, ¶ 8 n. 1, 347 P.3d 274.

This Application states the following matters:

## **II. Jurisdiction and Affected Parties**

1. SPS is a New Mexico corporation principally engaged in generating, transmitting, distributing, and selling electrical energy to the public in portions of New Mexico and Texas. SPS is a public utility as defined in the PUA, which provides electric service to the public within New Mexico pursuant to the rules, regulations, and tariffs on file with and approved by the Commission.

2. SPS's principal office in New Mexico is located at 111 E. Fifth Street, Roswell, New Mexico 88201. SPS's principal corporate office is located at 790 S. Buchanan, Amarillo, Texas 79101.

3. SPS is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Xcel Energy Inc. ("Xcel Energy"), which is a holding company under Federal Energy Regulation Commission ("FERC") regulations adopted under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005.<sup>5</sup> Xcel Energy is a utility holding company that owns several electric and natural gas utility operating companies, a regulated natural gas pipeline company, and three electric transmission companies.<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>5</sup> 18 C.F.R. Part 366.

<sup>6</sup> Xcel Energy is the parent company of four wholly-owned electric utility operating companies: Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota corporation; Northern States Power Company, a Wisconsin corporation; Public Service Company of Colorado, a Colorado corporation; and SPS. Xcel Energy's natural gas pipeline subsidiary is WestGas InterState, Inc. Through its subsidiary, Xcel Energy Transmission Holding Company, LLC, Xcel Energy also has three transmission-only operating companies: Xcel Energy Southwest Transmission Company, LLC; Xcel Energy Transmission Development Company, LLC; and Xcel Energy West Transmission Company, LLC, all of which are either currently regulated by the FERC or expected to be regulated by FERC.

**III. Authorized Representatives and Service of Documents**

4. The following corporate representatives and attorneys of SPS should receive all notices, pleadings, discovery requests and responses, and all other documents related to this case:

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**IV. Notice**

5. SPS has prepared the proposed form of Notice to Customers that is attached to the Application and will serve that Notice and a copy of the RPS filing on the Commission's Utility Division Staff, the New Mexico Attorney General, all parties in SPS's most recent general rate case (Case No. 22-00286-UT), and any renewable resource providers who have requested notice from the Commission, as required by Rule 572.14.C. SPS will also provide notice to customers and the general public as required by 17.1.2.10.C (1) and (2) NMAC. The proposed form of Notice is attached as Application Exhibit A.

6. A copy of SPS's 2023 RPS Plan approved in Case No. 22-00177-UT and its proposed 2024 RPS Plan, as required by Rule 572.14.C, are also posted on SPS's website at:

[https://www.xcelenergy.com/company/rates\\_and\\_regulations/filings/new\\_mexico\\_renewable\\_portfolio\\_standard](https://www.xcelenergy.com/company/rates_and_regulations/filings/new_mexico_renewable_portfolio_standard)

**V. SPS's 2022 RPS Report**

7. In accordance with Rule 572.19, SPS's 2022 RPS Report:

- A. itemizes all renewable energy generation or renewable energy certificate ("REC") purchases and sales (Subsection A.1);
- B. lists, and includes copies of, all RECs, including acquired, issued, or retired certificates (Subsection A.2);
- C. provides documentation from the Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System ("WREGIS") regarding the RECs acquired, sold, retired, transferred, or expired, which allows the Commission to determine, by fuel type, the number of RECs: (i) acquired; (ii) sold; (iii) retired; (iv) transferred; and (v) expired in each calendar year (Subsection A.3)<sup>7</sup>;
- D. describes the retirements made to meet the RPS compliance based on actual retail sales and procurement costs, including the reductions, if any, to the RPS for i) purchases by retail customers through an approved voluntary program; or ii) due to the reasonable cost threshold; iii) explain and demonstrate how the reduction was determined; and iv) quantity of RECs banked for future compliance use. (Subsection A.4);
- E. describes and quantifies the implementation of the voluntary renewable tariff requirements in Rule 572.18 (Subsection A.5);
- F. presents a full explanation of approved recovery mechanisms for approved RPS plan costs, including a complete accounting of all collected and deferred amounts (Subsection A.6); and
- G. describes and tabulates the compliance with RPS and describes how the compliance relates to the first year a new RPS becomes effective as established in Subsection A of Section 62-16-4 NMSA 1978 (2019) and Subsection B of 17.9.572.18 NMAC and describes how the compliance relates the first year of the next new RPS. The report includes the following to demonstrate compliance with the RPS: i) report year total utility RPS requirement in megawatt-hours ("MWh"); ii) report year total utility RPS compliance in MWh; iii) report year total utility RPS provided by

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<sup>7</sup> RECs representing electricity delivered to New Mexico and registered with a tracking system other than WREGIS may be used to meet RPS so long as WREGIS lacks the capability to import certificates from that other tracking system. (Rule 572.17.F NMAC).

eligible renewable energy resources in MWh listed by resource and totaled; iv) percentage of report year total utility RPS MWh provided by eligible renewable energy resources; and v) report year kilowatt-hour (“kWh”) generation by facility from coal-fired generating facilities allocated to New Mexico retail customers (Subsection A.7).

8. Pursuant to 17.9.572.19 NMAC, SPS’s 2022 RPS Report is being filed concurrently and is also included as Attachment ZEL-2 to Zoë E. Lees’ direct testimony.

## **VI. SPS’s 2023 RPS Filing**

9. SPS’s 2023 RPS filing for Plan Year and Next Plan Year provides the information required by the REA and Rule 572.14.C(1)-(15) related to SPS’s compliance with its RPS requirements for the Plan Year and Next Plan Year, and the other matters specified in the REA and Rule 572.

10. SPS’s 2023 RPS filing includes its 2024 RPS Plan and supporting testimony, which contains:

- A. a full explanation of the SPS’s determination of the Plan Year and Next Plan Year RPS and reasonable cost threshold (Subsection A);
- B. the amount of renewable energy SPS plans to provide in the Plan Year and the Next Plan Year required to comply with the RPS (Subsection C(3));
- C. testimony and exhibits demonstrating how the cost and amount specified in Paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection were determined (Subsection C(4));
- D. testimony and exhibits demonstrating the Plan Year and Next Plan Year procurement amounts and costs expected to be recovered by SPS (Subsection C(5));
- E. the capital, operating, and fuel costs on a per-MWh basis during the preceding calendar year of each nonrenewable generation resource rate-base by SPS, or dedicated to SPS through a power purchase agreement of one year or longer, and the nonrenewable generation resources’ carbon dioxide emissions on a per-MWh basis during that same year (Subsection C(6));
- F. testimony demonstrating that the portfolio procurement plan is consistent with the integrated resource plan (“IRP”) and explaining any material differences (Subsection C(10));
- G. demonstration that the plan is otherwise in the public interest, considering factors such as overall cost and economic development opportunities (Subsection C(13));

H. testimony demonstrating consistency with the last filed IRP and if not explanation why it is inconsistent (Subsection 14); and

I. any other information the commission may deem necessary (Subsection C(15)).

11. SPS is not requesting any new procurements in this filing, therefore Rule 572.13, and Rule 572.14.C(2), (7)–(9), (11), and (12) are not applicable to this filing.

12. SPS requests authorization to collect an estimated \$6,418,756 in RPS procurement costs over a 12-month period, beginning January 1, 2024, through its RPS Rider approved in Case No. 12-00350-UT. SPS will apply the 2024 RPS Rider using a kWh-based rate calculated at \$0.000583 per kWh that will apply to all of SPS’s New Mexico retail rate classes, other than energy purchased under its existing Solar\*Connect rider.

13. SPS requests approval to terminate its RPS Reconciliation Rider (tariff rider rate 77) effective December 31, 2023.

14. SPS’s 2022 RPS Report and 2024 RPS Plan satisfy the requirements of the REA, Rule 572, and prior applicable Commission orders, and SPS’s 2023 RPS filing demonstrates that its 2024 RPS Plan is in the public interest.

## **VII. Compliance with Prior Commission Orders**

15. In the Final Order in Case No. 15-00208-UT, the Commission approved a Recommended Decision, which among other items, authorized SPS to modify its distributed generation tariffs to align the payment methodology for excess energy with the Southwest Power Pool's Integrated Marketplace, and required SPS to provide in its annual report the prior year's information showing the monthly excess generation, the average estimated price paid, the actual price, and a reconciliation of the cost on a quarterly basis. This information is provided in Appendix F to the 2022 RPS Report.

16. In Case No. 18-00308-UT, the Commission approved SPS's new voluntary renewable program, Solar\*Connect. As part of that approval, the Commission requires annual reporting related to the program. This reporting is addressed in the direct testimony of Ms. Lees.

## **VIII. Miscellaneous Matters**

17. In support of its Application, SPS is concurrently filing the direct testimony of the following three witnesses:

### **Ms. Zoë E. Lees, whose testimony:**

- describes the RPS requirements;
- provides an overview of SPS's RPS requirements under the REA and Rule 572 as it applies to the REA and of SPS's filing for the 2024 Plan Year, in compliance with Rule 572.14, as well as the 2025 Next Plan Year;
- acknowledges the separate concurrent filing of SPS's 2022 Annual Renewable Energy Portfolio Report in accordance with Rule 572.19;
- presents SPS's RPS Plan, which includes SPS's plan for the Plan Year, including the information and analysis required by Rule 572 and the REA and, for informational purposes, similar information for the Next Plan Year;
- presents SPS's Plan Year and Next Plan Year projected costs and SPS's request to recover the Plan Year costs, including reconciliation of the 2022 RPS Rate Rider, through SPS's proposed 2024 RPS Rate Rider;



- supports, along with SPS witness Jeffrey L. Comer, the termination of the RPS Reconciliation Rider;
- addresses SPS's compliance with prior Commission orders;
- supports SPS's decision to not request an incentive in this filing; and
- presents SPS's requested approvals in this proceeding.

**Mr. Christopher J. Whiteside, whose testimony:**

- presents SPS's RPS requirements in the 2024 Plan Year and 2025 Next Plan Year;
- supports SPS's conclusion that it has or will have RECs sufficient to comply with its Plan Year and Next Plan Year RPS requirements;
- presents SPS's RPS projected compliance position through 2033 using a financial load forecast and a planning load forecast; and
- demonstrates that the portfolio procurement plan is consistent with the IRP and explains any material differences.

**Mr. Jeffrey L. Comer, whose testimony:**

- supports SPS's calculation of the proposed 2024 revenue requirement and resulting 2024 RPS Rider rate;
- supports SPS's proposed termination of the RPS Reconciliation Rider (tariff rider rate 77) effective December 31, 2023; and
- presents SPS's 2024 Solar\*Connect Community Rate Rider consistent with the final order in Case No. 18-00308-UT.

**Relief Requested**

For the reasons stated above, SPS respectfully requests that the Commission enter a final order that:

- (A) acknowledges SPS's concurrent filing of its 2022 RPS Report;
- (B) approves SPS's 2024 RPS Plan and all components therein;
- (C) approves SPS's proposed rate for its 2024 RPS Rider set forth in Advice Notice No. 315;

- (D) approves SPS's proposal to terminate its RPS Reconciliation Rider (tariff rider rate 77) effective December 31, 2023;
- (E) determines SPS's 2024 RPS Plan complies with the annual filing requirements of Rule 572.14, the REA, and applicable prior Commission orders;
- (F) approve SPS's 2024 Solar\*Connect Community Rate Rider set forth in Advice Notice No. 316, consistent with the final order in Case No. 18-00308-UT; and
- (G) grants all other approvals, authorizations, and actions that may be required for SPS to implement its 2024 RPS Plan under the REA, Rule 572, and the PUA.



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**PROPOSED NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that:**

1. Southwestern Public Service Company (“SPS”) filed its Application with the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission (“Commission” or “NMPRC”) on June 30, 2023, requesting the Commission enter a final order that:

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2. SPS proposes to collect an estimated \$6,418,756 in RPS procurement costs over a 12-month period, beginning January 1, 2024 through its RPS Rider approved in Case No. 12-00350-UT. SPS will apply the 2024 RPS Rider using a kilowatt-hour ("kWh") based rate calculated at \$0.000583 per kWh that will apply to all of SPS's New Mexico retail rate classes, other than energy purchased under its existing Solar\*Connect rider.

3. SPS proposes to terminate its RPS Reconciliation Rider (tariff rider rate 77) effective December 31, 2023.

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4. The following tables compare present bills and anticipated bills, including the proposed 2024 RPS Rider, under each affected customer class and for the indicated levels of consumption (note: there was no Renewable Performance Rider in 2023):

**Residential Service**

	Annualized Monthly Bill		Bill Change	
	Bills Including 2023 RPS Rider and Reconciliation Rider	Bills Including Proposed 2024 RPS Rider	Proposed \$ Change	Proposed % Change
Consumption Level	Present	2024	2024	2024
0 kWh	10.14	10.14	-	0.00%
250 kWh	40.02	39.96	(0.06)	-0.15%
500 kWh	69.91	69.79	(0.12)	-0.17%
750 kWh	99.79	99.62	(0.17)	-0.17%
1,000 kWh	129.68	129.44	(0.24)	-0.19%
2,000 kWh	249.23	248.75	(0.48)	-0.19%

**Residential Heating Service**

	Annualized Monthly Bill		Bill Change	
	Bills Including 2023 RPS Rider and Reconciliation Rider	Bills Including Proposed 2024 RPS Rider	Proposed \$ Change	Proposed % Change
Consumption Level	Present	2023	2024	2024
0 kWh	10.14	10.14	-	0.00%
250 kWh	36.40	36.34	(0.06)	-0.16%
500 kWh	62.66	62.54	(0.12)	-0.19%
750 kWh	88.91	88.74	(0.17)	-0.19%
1,000 kWh	115.17	114.93	(0.24)	-0.21%
2,000 kWh	220.21	219.74	(0.47)	-0.21%

**Small General Service**

	Annualized Monthly Bill		Bill Change	
	Bills Including 2023 RPS Rider and Reconciliation Rider	Bills Including Proposed 2024 RPS Rider	Proposed \$ Change	Proposed % Change
<b>Consumption Level</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>
0 kWh	17.48	17.48	-	0.00%
250 kWh	41.85	41.79	(0.06)	-0.14%
500 kWh	66.22	66.10	(0.12)	-0.18%
750 kWh	90.59	90.41	(0.18)	-0.20%
1,000 kWh	134.45	134.16	(0.29)	-0.22%
2,000 kWh	212.43	211.95	(0.48)	-0.23%

**Secondary General Service**

	Annualized Monthly Bill		Bill Change	
	Bills Including 2023 RPS Rider and Reconciliation Rider	Bills Including Proposed 2024 RPS Rider	Proposed \$ Change	Proposed % Change
<b>Consumption Level</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>
1,500 kWh and 12 kW	338.78	338.42	(0.36)	-0.11%
7,500 kWh and 35 kW	1,040.61	1,038.83	(1.78)	-0.17%
15,000 kWh and 35 kW	1,337.44	1,333.88	(3.56)	-0.27%
30,000 kWh and 100 kW	3,243.46	3,236.33	(7.13)	-0.22%

**Irrigation Service**

	Annualized Monthly Bill		Bill Change	
	Bills Including 2023 RPS Rider and Reconciliation Rider	Bills Including Proposed 2024 RPS Rider	Proposed \$ Change	Proposed % Change
<b>Consumption Level</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>
1,500 kWh and 12 kW	198.73	198.37	(0.36)	-0.18%
7,500 kWh and 35 kW	821.02	819.24	(1.78)	-0.22%
15,000 kWh and 35 kW	1,519.28	1,515.72	(3.56)	-0.23%
30,000 kWh and 100 kW	3,095.76	3,088.63	(7.13)	-0.23%

**Primary General Service**

	Annualized Monthly Bill		Bill Change	
	Bills Including 2023 RPS Rider and Reconciliation Rider	Bills Including Proposed 2024 RPS Rider	Proposed \$ Change	Proposed % Change
<b>Consumption Level</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>
1,500 kWh and 12 kW	330.86	330.51	(0.35)	-0.11%
7,500 kWh and 35 kW	980.15	978.37	(1.78)	-0.18%
15,000 kWh and 35 kW	1,210.60	1,207.04	(3.56)	-0.29%
30,000 kWh and 100 kW	2,985.44	2,978.31	(7.13)	-0.24%

**Large General Service Transmission (69 kV)**

	Annualized Monthly Bill		Bill Change	
	Bills Including 2023 RPS Rider and Reconciliation Rider	Bills Including Proposed 2024 RPS Rider	Proposed \$ Change	Proposed % Change
<b>Consumption Level</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>
500,000 kWh and 800 kW	27,236.32	27,135.09	(128.23)	-0.47%
1,000,000 kWh and 1,500 kW	52,061.25	51,715.43	(345.82)	-0.66%
4,000,000 kWh and 6,100 kW	205,840.32	204,500.76	(1,339.56)	-0.65%
8,000,000 kWh and 12,200 kW	404,326.76	401,648.35	(2,678.41)	-0.66%

**Large General Service Transmission (115+ kV)**

	Annualized Monthly Bill		Bill Change	
	Bills Including 2023 RPS Rider and Reconciliation Rider	Bills Including Proposed 2024 RPS Rider	Proposed \$ Change	Proposed % Change
<b>Consumption Level</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>
500,000 kWh and 800 kW	26,796.76	26,677.93	(118.83)	-0.44%
1,000,000 kWh and 1,500 kW	52,543.80	52,215.20	(328.60)	-0.63%
4,000,000 kWh and 6,300 kW	204,978.91	203,706.91	(1,272.00)	-0.62%
8,000,000 kWh and 13,000 kW	408,041.30	405,497.30	(2,544.00)	-0.62%



**Large Municipal and School Service**

	Annualized Monthly Bill		Bill Change	
	Bills Including 2023 RPS Rider and Reconciliation Rider	Bills Including Proposed 2024 RPS Rider	Proposed \$ Change	Proposed % Change
<b>Consumption Level</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>
10,000 kWh and 30 kW	881.03	878.65	(2.38)	-0.27
20,000 kWh and 45 kW	1,495.76	1,491.01	(4.75)	-0.32
30,000 kWh and 75 kW	2,332.42	2,325.29	(7.13)	-0.31

**Small Municipal and School Service**

	Annualized Monthly Bill		Bill Change	
	Bills Including 2023 RPS Rider and Reconciliation Rider	Bills Including Proposed 2024 RPS Rider	Proposed \$ Change	Proposed % Change
<b>Consumption Level</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>
500 kWh	60.31	60.19	(0.12)	-0.20%
1,000 kWh	103.43	103.20	(0.23)	-0.22%
2,000 kWh	189.70	189.23	(0.47)	-0.25%

5. SPS’s proposed rate changes are for informational purposes only and the final approved rates may vary.

6. By order issued in this case on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, the Hearing Examiner has established the following procedural schedule and requirements for this case:

- A. Any person desiring to become a party to this case must file the original and five copies of a motion for leave to intervene in conformity with Rules 1.2.2.23(A) and 1.2.2.23(B) NMAC on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 2023. All motions for leave to intervene shall be served on all existing parties and other proposed intervenors of record.
- B. A settlement conference is scheduled on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.
- C. The Commission’s Utility Division Staff shall, and any intervenors may, file direct testimony on or before \_\_\_\_\_ 2023.
- D. Rebuttal testimony may be filed on or before \_\_\_\_\_ 2023.
- E. Deadline to file a Stipulation is \_\_\_\_\_ 2023.

F. Opposition to Stipulation shall be filed by \_\_\_\_ 2023.

G. A public hearing will be held beginning at 9:00 AM on \_\_\_\_ 2023 and will continue as necessary through \_\_\_\_, 2023. The hearing may be held in person or via videoconferencing, depending on the pandemic restrictions in effect at the time.

7. The Commission's Rules of Procedure found at 1.2.2 NMAC will apply to this case unless modified by order of the Commission or Hearing Examiner. A copy of such Rules may be obtained from the offices of the Commission and are available online at the official NMAC website <http://www.srca.nm.gov/nmac-home/>.

8. Interested person may appear at the time and place of hearing and make oral comment pursuant to 1.2.2.23(F) NMAC without becoming an intervenor. Public comments shall be limited to 3 minutes per speaker. Such comments will not be considered as evidence in this case.

9. Interested persons may also submit written comments, which shall reference NMPRC Case No. 23-\_\_\_\_-UT, to the Commission via its Records Bureau's email address at [prc.records@state.nm.us](mailto:prc.records@state.nm.us). However, as noted above, pursuant to 1.2.2.23(F) NMAC, comments will not be considered as evidence in this proceeding.

10. SPS's Application, 2022 RPS Report and 2024 RPS Plan, together with supporting pre-filed direct testimony and any exhibits and related papers, may be examined by any interested person online at the SPS website [https://www.xcelenergy.com/company/rates\\_and\\_regulations/filings/new\\_mexico\\_renewable\\_portfolio\\_standard](https://www.xcelenergy.com/company/rates_and_regulations/filings/new_mexico_renewable_portfolio_standard); the Commission's website at <https://edocket.nmprc.state.nm.us>; or in person at the offices of SPS or the Commission at the following addresses. All inquiries or written comments should refer to Case No. 23-00\_\_\_\_-UT.

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Records Management Bureau  
New Mexico Public Regulation Commission  
P.O. Box 1269  
Santa Fe, NM 87504  
505-827-6956

11. Anyone filing pleadings, documents or testimony in this case shall serve copies thereof on all parties of record and the Commission Staff via e-mail as required by the Commission or the Hearing Examiner. Any such filings shall also be sent to the Hearing Examiner at \_\_\_\_\_ and shall include versions created in Microsoft Word if available. Any such filings shall be e-mailed on the date they are filed with the Commission.

12. Anyone filing pleadings, testimony, and other documents in this case shall, until further notice, comply with the Commission's Electronic Filing Policy, as amended from time to time. This includes electronic filings by emailing in pdf format, with electronic signatures, to [prc.records@state.nm.us](mailto:prc.records@state.nm.us) within regular business of the due date in order to be considered as being timely filed. Documents received after regular business hours will be considered as being filed the next business day. Regular business hours are from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. MT.

13. The procedural dates and requirements currently set in this case are subject to further order of the Commission or the Hearing Examiner. Interested persons should contact the Commission at (505) 690-4191 for confirmation of the hearing date, time, and place, since hearings are occasionally rescheduled.

14. Any person filing prepared testimony under 1.2.2.35(I) NMAC on behalf of a party shall attend the hearing and submit to examination under oath. No person shall testify at the hearing unless that person has pre-filed testimony.

15. Additional details regarding this proceeding and its procedural requirements are set forth in the Hearing Examiner's \_\_\_\_\_ 2023 Procedural Order.

16. Any person with a disability requiring special assistance in order to participate in this case should contact the Commission at least 24 hours prior to the commencement of the hearing.

**ISSUED** at Santa Fe, New Mexico, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_ 2023.

**NEW MEXICO PUBLIC REGULATION  
COMMISSION**

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**Hearing Examiner**

**SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY**

ADVICE NOTICE NO. 315

June 30, 2023

**NEW MEXICO PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

Southwestern Public Service Company hereby gives notice to the public and the Commission of the filing of its 2024 Renewable Portfolio Standard Cost Rider and the termination of the RPS Reconciliation Rider effective December 31, 2023.

<b>Rate No.</b>	<b>Title of Sheet</b>	<b>Canceling Rate No.</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
One Hundred Thirtieth Rev.	Table of Contents – Electric Rate Schedules	One Hundred Twenty-Ninth Rev.	July 30, 2023
Eleventh Rev. 70	RPS Cost Rider	Tenth Rev. 70	July 30, 2023
	<del>RPS Reconciliation Rider</del>	<del>Third Rev. 77</del>	July 30, 2023

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*/s/ Brooke A. Trammell*

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52	Small Solar Distributed Generation Program	
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70	Renewable Portfolio Cost Rider	<b>X</b>
72	Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Adjustment Clause	
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78	Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Rider	<b>X</b>
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**ELEVENTH REVISED RATE NO. 70  
 CANCELING TENTH REVISED RATE NO. 70**

**X  
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**RPS COST RIDER**

**APPLICABLE:** This rate rider is applicable to bills for electric service provided under all of SPS’s retail rate schedules.

**TERRITORY:** Area served by Company in New Mexico.

**RATE:** The rate is applied to each kWh used per month to each customer class listed below other than kWh purchased under Rate Rider 76.

**X**

<b>CUSTOMER CLASS:</b>	<b>\$/kWh</b>	
For calendar year 2024:		<b>X</b>
Residential Service, Residential Heating Service, Small General Service, Small Municipal and School Service, Municipal Street Lighting Service, Area Lighting Service	\$0.000583	<b>X</b>
Secondary General Service, Irrigation Power Service, Large Municipal and School Service	\$0.000583	<b>X</b>
Primary General Service	\$0.000583	<b>X</b>
Large General Service – Transmission	\$0.000583	<b>X</b>

Renewable energy costs recovered through this rider are approved for recovery by the Commission. Company will reconcile costs previously approved for recovery through this Rider. Over-recovery of previously approved renewable energy costs will represent a credit to and reduction of approved renewable energy costs recoverable over a future period, and under-recovery of previously approved renewable energy costs will represent a charge in addition to approved renewable energy costs recoverable over a future period.

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ADVICE NOTICE NO. 316

June 30, 2023

**NEW MEXICO PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO**

Southwestern Public Service Company hereby gives notice to the public and the Commission of the filing of its Solar\*Connect Community Rate Rider.

<b>Rate No.</b>	<b>Title of Sheet</b>	<b>Canceling Rate No.</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
One Hundred Thirtieth Rev.	Table of Contents – Electric Rate Schedules	One Hundred Twenty-Ninth Rev.	July 30, 2023
Third Rev. 76	Solar*Connect Community Rate Rider	Second Rev. 76	July 30, 2023

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**THIRD REVISED RATE NO. 76  
CANCELING SECOND REVISED RATE NO. 76**

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**SOLAR\*CONNECT COMMUNITY RATE RIDER**

**APPLICABILITY:** This rate rider is available as an option to all Customers taking retail electric service from Company.

This tariff defines the procedure by which the Solar\*Connect Rate Rider may be annually updated subject to the jurisdiction of the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission (“Commission”). The annual update Solar\*Connect Rate Rider procedure will not become effective until an Informational Filing is made, as discussed herein.

This rate rider shall at all times be subject to change or modification by order of the Commission or successor agency.

**TERRITORY:** Area served by Company in New Mexico.

**DEFINITIONS:**

**Solar\*Connect Allocation:** The share of Solar\*Connect Resource that a subscriber has signed up for, measured in kW.

**Solar\*Connect Charge:** For calendar year 2024, the Solar\*Connect Charge is \$41.12/MWh (\$0.041117/kWh).

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**Solar\*Connect Credit:** The value, on a \$/kWh basis, of fossil fuel, variable operating and maintenance costs, and purchased energy that is expected to be saved through the addition of solar generation to the Company system, based on a methodology approved by the Commission as may be changed subsequently by the Commission. The Solar\*Connect Credit will be updated annually. The Solar\*Connect Credit for 2024 is \$39.44/MWh (\$.039443/kWh).

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SOLAR\*CONNECT COMMUNITY RATE RIDER

**Solar\*Connect Resource:** A long-term PPA between Company and SoCore Clovis 1 LLC (“SoCore”) for the purchase of all of the capacity and net energy, including renewable energy certificates (“RECs”), from a 1.98 MWac solar-powered electric generating facility to be developed by SoCore and located near Clovis, New Mexico.

**Solar\*Connect Subscriber:** A Customer of the Company who subscribes to receive additional photovoltaic energy through the Solar\*Connect Rate Rider.

**Solar\*Connect Subscriber Monthly Generation:** The product of the total monthly Solar\*Connect Resource generation in kWh and a Solar\*Connect Subscriber’s Capacity Ratio.

**Solar\*Connect Subscriber Monthly Premium:** The net cost of a customer’s Solar\*Connect Subscriber Monthly Generation—the Solar\*Connect Subscriber’s total monthly Solar\*Connect Charge less the subscriber’s total monthly Solar\*Connect Credit.

**Solar\*Connect Subscriber Capacity Ratio:** The ratio of a Solar\*Connect Subscriber’s Solar\*Connect Allocation to the total capacity of the Solar\*Connect Resource.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS:** Customers will have the option to purchase a minimum of 0.5 kW of the capacity (with 0.1 kW increments available above the minimum) of the Solar\*Connect Resource.

Solar\*Connect Subscribers have the right to increase their subscription option at any point during their obligation term without penalty, so long as there is

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**SOLAR\*CONNECT COMMUNITY RATE RIDER**

**SUBSCRIPTIONS (cont.):** available unsubscribed capacity from the Solar\*Connect Resource for the subscription.

The Solar\*Connect Rate Rider will be temporarily closed to new Solar\*Connect Subscribers when the Solar\*Connect Resource is fully subscribed.

**DETERMINATION OF SOLAR\*CONNECT SUBSCRIBER MONTHLY**

**PREMIUM:** The Solar\*Connect Subscriber Monthly Premium for individual subscribers will be determined as follows:

Solar\*Connect Subscriber Monthly Premium = (A x B) – (B x C), where:

A = Solar\*Connect Charge (\$/kWh)

B = Solar\*Connect Subscriber Monthly Generation (kWh)

C = Solar\*Connect Credit (\$/kWh)

**CONTRACT PERIOD:** A minimum of one year for residential customers. Month to month thereafter. After a residential contract has been in effect for one year or more, a customer can cancel the contract with one-month prior notification to the Company.

When a participating Solar\*Connect Subscriber ends service at one address and starts electric service at a new address within Company's service territory, that subscriber's Solar\*Connect subscription will automatically transfer to the new address. In the event that the Solar\*Connect Subscriber chooses to cancel a

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SOLAR\*CONNECT COMMUNITY RATE RIDER

**CONTRACT PERIOD (cont.):** subscription, the Solar\*Connect Subscriber may do so by notifying the Company prior to a move.

**ANNUAL SOLAR\*CONNECT RATE RIDER UPDATE FILINGS:**

1. **Filing Date:** Each year, beginning in 2020, Company shall file an Informational Filing in conjunction with its annual Renewable Portfolio Standard proceeding. The Informational Filing will contain:
  - a. The updated Solar\*Connect Credit for the upcoming calendar year.
  
2. **Review Period:**
  - a. The Commission Staff and intervenors shall receive a copy of the Informational Filing.
  - b. The scope of review will be limited to:
    - i. whether SPS has properly applied the Commission-approved methodology for calculating the updated Solar\*Connect Credit;
    - ii. whether the data included in the informational filing is accurate;
    - iii. the amount of subsidization by non-participants for the previous year; and
    - iv. the actual number of participants and the subscription levels for the previous year.
  - c. Commission staff and intervenors will formally communicate any issues (“Disputed Issues”) in writing to Company and other parties.
  
3. **Effectiveness of updated Solar\*Connect Rate Rider:**
  - a. The updated Solar\*Connect Rate Rider will become effective upon the issuance of a final order by the Commission, but no later than January 1 of the following year.

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**SOLAR\*CONNECT COMMUNITY RATE RIDER**

**TAX ADJUSTMENT:** Billings under the rate rider may be increased by an amount equal to the sum of the taxes payable under the Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act and of all other taxes, fees, or charges (exclusive of ad valorem, state, and federal income taxes) payable by the utility and levied or assessed by any governmental authority on the public utility service rendered, or on the right of privilege of rendering the service, or on any object or event incidental to the rendition of the service.

**LINE EXTENSIONS:** Company will make line extensions in accordance with its standard line extension policy.

**FRANCHISE FEE:** All current and future franchise fees not included in base rates shall be separately assessed in the municipality where the excess franchise fee is authorized. Bills computed under the above rate will be increased by the additional franchise fees imposed by the appropriate municipality or taxing authority in which Customer's consuming facility resides, when applicable. The franchise fee will appear on the bill as a separate item.

**RULES, REGULATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE:** Service supplied under this schedule is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in Company's Rules, Regulations and Conditions of Service on file with Commission.

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**BEFORE THE NEW MEXICO PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSION**

<b>IN THE MATTER OF SOUTHWESTERN</b>	)	
<b>PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY’S ANNUAL 2024</b>	)	
<b>RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO</b>	)	
<b>PROCUREMENT PLAN AND REQUESTED</b>	)	
<b>APPROVALS THEREIN; PROPOSED 2024</b>	)	<b>Case No. 23-00__-UT</b>
<b>RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARD COST</b>	)	
<b>RIDER; TERMINATION OF THE</b>	)	
<b>RECONCILIATION RIDER; AND OTHER</b>	)	
<b>ASSOCIATED RELIEF,</b>	)	
	)	
<b>SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE</b>	)	
<b>COMPANY,</b>	)	
	)	
<b>APPLICANT.</b>	)	

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I CERTIFY that on this date I served upon the individuals listed below, via email only, a true and correct copy of *Southwestern Public Service Company’s Renewable Portfolio Standard Application for the 2024 Plan Year and 2025 Next Plan Year, and Direct Testimony of Zoë E. Lees, Christopher Whiteside, and Jeffrey L. Comer* was electronically sent to each of the following on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023.

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