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Debbie-Anne A. Reese,
Secretary.
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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. EL26–68–000]

Southwest Power Pool, Inc., AEP Oklahoma Transmission Company, Inc., AEP Southwestern Transmission Company, Inc., Deseret Generation & Transmission Co-operative, Inc., Empire District Electric Company, Evergy Kansas Central, Inc., Evergy Kansas South, Inc., Evergy Metro, Inc., Evergy Missouri West, Inc., GridLiance High Plains LLC, ITC Great Plains, LLC, Mountrail-Williams Electric Cooperative, NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, LLC, NorthWestern Energy Public Service Corporation, Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company, Prairie Wind Transmission, LLC, Public Service Company of Oklahoma, Southwestern Electric Power Company, Southwestern Public Service Company, Transource Missouri, LLC, Transource Oklahoma, LLC, Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc., Upper Missouri G. & T. Electric Cooperative, Inc.; Notice of Institution of Section 206 Proceeding and Refund Effective Date

On June 18, 2026, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. EL26–68–000 pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Power Act (FPA), 16 U.S.C. 824e, instituting an investigation to determine whether Southwest Power Pool, Inc.'s Open Access Transmission Tariff is unjust, unreasonable, unduly discriminatory or preferential, or otherwise unlawful. *Sw. Power Pool, Inc.*, 195 FERC ¶ 61,213 (2026).

The refund effective date in Docket No. EL26–68–000, established pursuant to section 206(b) of the FPA, will be the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Any interested person desiring to be heard in Docket No. EL26–68–000 must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate, with the Commission, in accordance with Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 CFR 385.214 (2025), within 21 days of the date of issuance of the order.

In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the **Federal Register**, the Commission provides all

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The Commission strongly encourages electronic filings of comments, protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFile" link at <http://www.ferc.gov>. In lieu of electronic filing, you may submit a paper copy. Submissions sent via the U.S. Postal Service must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426. Submissions sent via any other carrier must be addressed to: Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 12225 Wilkins Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

For public inquiries and assistance with making filings such as interventions, comments, or requests for rehearing, contact the Office of Public Participation at (202) 502–6595 or OPP@ferc.gov.

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[Docket No. CP25–539–000; Docket No. CP25–539–001]

Rockies Express Pipeline LLC, Cheyenne Connector, LLC, East Cheyenne Gas Storage, LLC; Notice of Revised Schedule for Environmental Review of the Critical Energy Reliability Link Project

This notice identifies the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission staff's revised schedule for the completion of the environmental assessment (EA) for Rockies Express Pipeline LLC's (REX) Critical Energy Reliability Link Project.¹ The first notice of schedule, issued on December 11, 2025, identified July 2, 2026, as the EA issuance date. However, on May 15, 2026, REX filed changes to its project, adding and modifying facilities and affecting new landowners. On May 22, 2026, staff issued a *Notice of Amendment Establishing Intervention Deadline* following the filed project changes. Staff will require additional time to incorporate the project changes and associated environmental analysis into the EA. As a result, staff has revised the schedule for issuance of the EA. The issuance date is also contingent on the quality of information provided by REX in response to any upcoming environmental information requests. The EA will be issued for a 30-day comment period.

Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of the EA—October 2, 2026
 90-day Federal Authorization Decision Deadline²—December 31, 2026

If a schedule change becomes necessary, an additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the project's progress.

Additional Information

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers

¹ For tracking purposes under the National Environmental Policy Act, the unique identification number for documents relating to this environmental review is EAXX–019–20–000–1765365565.

² The Commission's deadline applies to the decisions of other federal agencies, and state agencies acting under federally delegated authority, that are responsible for federal authorizations, permits, and other approvals necessary for proposed projects under the Natural Gas Act. Per 18 CFR 157.22(a), the Commission's deadline for other agency's decisions applies unless a schedule is otherwise established by federal law.