

comments on the described application. A copy of the application may be obtained by agencies directly from the Applicant. If an agency does not file comments within the time specified for filing comments, it will be presumed to have no comments. One copy of an agency's comments must also be sent to the Applicant's representatives.

q. Comments, protests, and interventions may be filed electronically via the Internet in lieu of paper. *See*, 18 CFR 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov> under the "e-Filing" link.

Magalie R. Salas,
Secretary.

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Southwest Power Pool, Inc., Remedying Undue Discrimination Through Open Access Transmission Service and Standard Electricity Market Design; Notice of Technical Conference

February 18, 2004.

Take notice that a technical conference for the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP) will be held on Friday, March 19, from approximately 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. central standard time at the Hyatt Regency DFW, inside the Dallas/Ft. Worth Airport in Dallas, Texas. Members of the Commission will attend and participate in the discussions.

This conference shall be one in a series of regional technical conferences announced in the White Paper issued in this docket on April 28, 2003. The Commission intends to use this conference to discuss with states and market participants reasonable timetables for RTO development activities to benefit customers within the region.

Individual panelists will be invited to participate in this conference. Further details of the conference, including the agenda, will be specified in a subsequent notice. All interested persons may attend the conference, and registration is not required. However, in-person attendees are encouraged to register on-line at <http://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/smd-0319-form.asp>.

Transcripts of the conference will be immediately available from Ace Reporting Company (202-347-3700 or 1-800-336-6646) for a fee. They will be available for the public on the Commission's eLibrary system seven calendar days after FERC receives the transcript. Additionally, Capitol Connection offers the opportunity for remote listening of the conference via Real Audio or a Phone Bridge Connection for a fee. Persons interested in making arrangements should contact David Reininger or Julia Morelli at the Capitol Connection (703-993-3100) as soon as possible or visit the Capitol Connection Web site at <http://www.capitolconnection.org> and click on "FERC."

For more information about the conference, please contact Sarah McKinley at (202) 502-8004 or sarah.mckinley@ferc.gov.

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Revised Public Utility Filing Requirements Electric Quarterly Reports; Notice of Electric Quarterly Reports Information

February 18, 2004.

This notice announces:

- The availability of a new version of Electric Quarterly Report (EQR) submission software (2.0) which implements the changes mandated in Order No. 2001-E.
- A two-day EQR Users Group Workshop in Washington, DC, on March 11 and 12, 2004.
- An outreach session for western EQR filers on February 24, 2004, at the California ISO.
- The availability of a function to download the entire EQR database to a remote site.

On April 25, 2002, the Commission issued Order No. 2001,¹ a final rule which requires public utilities to file Electric Quarterly Reports. Order 2001-E, issued December 23, 2003, made

¹ Revised Public Utility Filing Requirements, Order No. 2001, 67 FR 31043, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,127 (April 25, 2002); *reh'g denied*, Order No. 2001-A, 100 FERC ¶ 61,074, *reconsideration and clarification denied*, Order No. 2001-B, 100 FERC ¶ 61,342 (2002).

certain changes in the filing requirements which are effective beginning with the first quarter 2004 filing, due April 30, 2004. The enhancements have been made to the EQR submission software and users' EQR software will be automatically updated to the new version when they open their software on a computer that is connected to the Internet. A newly revised Users Guide and guidance for the changes resulting from Order No. 2001-E have been posted on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/eqr/eqr-soft.asp>.

On March 11 and 12, 2004, there will be an EQR Users Group Workshop. All interested parties are invited to attend. The meeting will be held in the Commission Meeting Room at FERC headquarters, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC. For those unable to attend in person, access to some of the workshop sessions will be available by teleconference. These sessions are intended to be interactive meetings with considerable discussion of detailed elements of the EQR.

The teleconferenced Users Group Meeting will run from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 11 and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, March 12. There will be informal working sessions Thursday morning, from 9:30 a.m. until 12 p.m., and Friday afternoon, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Those sessions will not be available via teleconference. Those interested in participating in person or via teleconference are asked to register online by March 1, 2004, at http://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/eqr_0311-form.asp. There is no registration fee.

On February 24, 2004, Barbara Bourque (EQR Program Manager) and Steven Reich will hold an EQR outreach session at the offices of the California Independent System Operator. The meeting will be held at 151 Blue Ravine Road in Folsom, California and will run from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. It will include a discussion of the changes mandated by Order No. 2001-E and an extended question and answer session. Those interested in attending the meeting are asked to register online by 11 a.m. Pacific time on Friday, February 20, 2004, at http://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/eqr_0224-form.asp. There is no registration fee. Questions and comments may be submitted in advance by filing them in ER02-2001 as described below, or by submitting them online at <http://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/registration/question-form.asp>.

Beginning February 18, 2004, interested parties may download a copy of the entire EQR database from the