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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Kimberly D. Bose
Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20426

Re: Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.
FERC Docket No. ER14-_____-000
Filing of an Amended and Restated Large Generator Interconnection Agreement
PUBLIC VERSION

Dear Secretary Bose:

Pursuant to section 205 of the Federal Power Act (“FPA”), 16 U.S.C. § 824d, and section 35.12 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s (“FERC” or “Commission”) regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 35.12 (2013), the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (“MISO”) hereby respectfully submits an amended and restated version of the Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (“Forward LGIA”) among **Forward Energy LLC**, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (“Interconnection Customer” with a Large Generating Facility), **American Transmission Company LLC**, by its corporate manager, ATC Management Inc., each organized and existing under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (“Transmission Owner”), and **MISO** (“Transmission Provider”). A non-public version of the Agreement containing pages designated as Critical Energy Infrastructure Information (“CEII”) is being provided under separate cover as explained below. MISO has designated the Interconnection Agreement as Seventh Revised Service Agreement No. 1558 under MISO’s FERC Electric Tariff, Fifth Revised Vol. No. 1 (“Tariff”). MISO has designated this project as Project No. G368.

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I. OVERVIEW OF FILING

On April 26, 2005, MISO submitted for Commission acceptance the Forward LGIA among the Interconnection Customer, MISO and the Transmission Owner. On June 17, 2005, the Commission issued an order conditionally accepting the Forward LGIA (“June 17 Order”)¹ subject to MISO, within thirty (30) days after the issuance of the June 17 Order, either (1) re-filing the Forward LGIA in a form that conforms to MISO’s *pro forma* Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (“*pro forma* LGIA”) in effect on the day the Forward LGIA was executed; or (2) withdrawing the Forward LGIA and re-filing it for the Commission’s consideration with sufficient justification for the provisions that did not conform to the *pro forma* LGIA.

On October 17, 2005, MISO made a compliance filing to revise the Forward LGIA. On April 7, 2006, the Commission issued an order conditionally accepting the filing subject to the MISO submitting further revisions (“April 7 Order”).² In the April 7 Order, the Commission rejected certain non-conforming provisions that MISO requested in the October 17, 2005 compliance filing. Specifically, the Commission, in the April 7 Order, rejected certain non-conforming provisions that were not explicitly accepted by the Commission in the June 17 Order. Additionally, the Commission in the April 7 Order, accepted certain metering provisions set forth in sections 7.1 and 7.4 of the Forward LGIA that had been inadvertently excluded from the earlier filings.³ The Commission also conditioned acceptance of the Forward LGIA upon MISO re-filing the Forward LGIA without the non-conforming revisions.

On October 10, 2006, as amended January 16, 2007, MISO made additional compliance filings revising the Forward LGIA as directed by the Commission. On October 16, 2006, Interconnection Customer advised MISO that it desired to lift its earlier suspension of work under the Forward LGIA. On March 16, 2007, the Commission accepted the revisions to the Forward LGIA among the Interconnection Customer, MISO and the Transmission Owner.

On June 1, 2007, as amended on July 16, 2007, MISO filed a revised Forward LGIA with the Commission. On August 24, 2007, the Commission accepted the revisions to the Forward LGIA among the Interconnection Customer, MISO and the Transmission Owner.

On October 7, 2013, as amended on November 1, 2013, MISO filed a revised Forward LGIA with the Commission in Docket No. ER14-45-000 (“2013 Agreement”). On December 2,

¹ *Midwest Indep. Transmission Sys. Operator, Inc.*, 111 FERC ¶ 61,421 (2005). The Commission issued a Notice of Extension of Time on September 21, 2005 granting the Midwest ISO’s request to extend the date its compliance filing is due in the above-referenced docket to October 17, 2005.

² *Midwest Indep. Transmission Sys. Operator, Inc.*, 115 FERC ¶ 61,022 (2006).

³ See April 7 Order at PP 18-19.

2013, the Commission accepted the revisions to the Forward LGIA among the Interconnection Customer, MISO and the Transmission Owner.

The instant amended and restated Forward LGIA is being submitted to reflect certain revisions in the body and appendices of the 2013 Agreement. The body and appendices are being amended to reflect 50 MW of capacity that was never installed. Therefore, the maximum output at the Point of Interconnection is being changed from 200 MW net to 150.7 MW net. The Generating Facility will now be composed of up to 93 GE Wind turbines, instead of 124, rated at up to 1.6 MW each and one GE wind turbine rated at 1.85 MW. The maximum Network Resource Interconnection Service is reduced from 40 MW to 30.14 MW and the combined maximum NR Interconnection Service and ER Interconnection Service is reduced from 200 MW to 150.7 MW.

The Forward LGIA is being filed with the Commission because it represents an amendment to the 2013 Agreement which was previously filed with and accepted by the Commission. Therefore, the Parties respectfully request that the Commission accept the amended and restated version of the Forward LGIA.

II. DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED IN THIS FILING

The documents being submitted with this filing include this transmittal letter and a public and non-public version of the Interconnection Agreement in accordance with the parties' designation of the tables and diagrams contained in this filing as CEII under the Commission's rules. 18 C.F.R. §§ 388.112 & 388.113 (2011). Pursuant to the Commission's Notice Announcing New Combined Notice of Filings, issued on May 13, 2005, and the Commission's subsequent listing on its website, no form of notice is required under 18 C.F.R. § 35.8 (2011).⁴ The Parties have designated Exhibit A1 as CEII.

MISO hereby requests confidential treatment of the CEII contained in Exhibit A1 of the non-public version of the Forward LGIA enclosed pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 388.12. The CEII has been marked according to the Commission's instructions.

The Parties assert that Exhibit A1 qualifies as CEII pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 388.113(c)(1) for the following reasons: this exhibit displays information that relates details about the production, generation, transportation, transmission, or distribution of energy. The exhibit is exempt from mandatory disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552. Members of the public can obtain access to the Exhibit by complying with the Commission's procedures per 18 C.F.R. § 388.113.

⁴ See Documents and Filings, Notice Formats, available at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/not-form.asp>.

Accordingly, MISO requests confidential treatment of the non-public version of this filing as CEII pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 388.12. MISO submits a non-public version of this agreement under separate cover.

The documents being submitted with this filing include the transmittal letter;

Tab A – Clean copy of the Seventh Revised Public Version of the Interconnection Agreement;

Tab B - Redlined copy of the Seventh Revised Public Version of the Interconnection Agreement reflecting changes as compared to the Substitute Sixth Revised Agreement; and

Tab C - CEII Protective Agreement.

III. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

MISO respectfully requests that the Commission waive its sixty (60) day notice requirement as required by Section 35.3(a) of the Commission's regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 35.3(a), and make this Interconnection Agreement effective as of July 10, 2014.⁵ The Parties have indicated their intention for and support of an effective date of July 10, 2014. MISO requests that the July 10, 2014 date be used to provide certainty to the Parties as to the status of the agreement. To the extent that the Commission determines that any requirements of 18 C.F.R. § 35 apply that have not been specifically addressed herein, the MISO respectfully requests waiver of such requirements.

⁵ The Commission's policy permits waivers of the 60-day prior notice of filing requirement in the case of a non-rate change to the terms and conditions of a Commission-accepted Rate Schedule. *See Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp.*, 60 FERC ¶ 61,106, *reh'g denied*, 61 FERC ¶ 61,189 (1992).

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

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V. NOTICE AND SERVICE

MISO has served all parties provided in the Commission's eService list for the above-referenced docket. MISO notes that it has served a copy of this filing electronically, including attachments, upon all Tariff Customers under the Tariff, MISO Members, Member representatives of Transmission Owners and Non-Transmission Owners, MISO Advisory Committee participants, as well as all state commissions within the Region. The filing has been posted electronically on the MISO's website at <https://www.midwestiso.org/Library/FERCFilingsOrders/Pages/FERCFilings.aspx> for other interested parties in this matter. In addition, MISO has served a copy of this filing electronically on all parties to this agreement.

VI. CONCLUSION

For all of the foregoing reasons, MISO respectfully requests that the Commission accept for filing this Interconnection Agreement and grant the proposed effective date of July 10, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Jacob T. Krouse

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Attachments