Memorandum

To: Southwest Power Pool, Inc. Operators acting as Reliability Coordinators

From: Carl Monroe, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

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All Southwest Power Pool Transmission Operators
SPP Oversight Committee

Date: March 15, 2015

Re: SPP Operator, Reliability Coordination and Balancing Authority, authority to take emergency action

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This memo is provided to assure that SPP Operators acting as the Reliability Coordinator or Balancing Authority in accordance with NERC Reliability Standards and the SPP RC Reliability Plan are clearly advised of their authority in emergency situations.

In accordance with North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC) reliability standards and the SPP RC Reliability Plan, all SPP Operators acting as Reliability Coordinators and/or Balancing Authority Operators have authority to take any and all appropriate emergency actions to maintain the secure and reliable operation of the bulk power transmission system, up to and including the shedding of firm load. If, in accordance with SPP and NERC procedures, an Operator initiates an emergency action which includes a load shed directive he/she will not be subject to disciplinary action.

If you have any questions, please contact Terry, CJ, Sam, Bruce, or me.

Sincerely,

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