

October 21, 2022

Commissioner Dan Scripps, Chair Michigan Public Service Commission 7109 W. Saginaw Highway Lansing, MI 48917

RE: NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONSTRUCT AND OWN THE HIPLE – DUCK LAKE AND ONEIDA – NELSON ROAD 345 kV MISO LONG RANGE TRANSMISSION PLANNING PROJECTS

## Dear Chair Scripps:

Michigan Public Power Agency ("MPPA") respectfully submits this notice to the Michigan Public Service Commission, pursuant to MCL § 460.593(3)(a), that MPPA intends to participate in the construction and ownership of the Hiple – Duck Lake and Oneida – Nelson Road transmission projects in Michigan.

On July 25, 2022, the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. ("MISO"), a federally registered Planning Authority, approved the MISO MTEP21 Long Range Transmission Planning ("LRTP") Tranche 1 Portfolio of Projects, which includes two regionally cost-shared transmission projects in Michigan. The Hiple – Duck Lake project is a new 345 kV transmission line that will connect the 345 kV line running from NIPSCO's Hiple substation in Indiana to the existing Oneida 345 kV line in Michigan via a new substation, currently named "Duck Lake" by MISO, to be near Springport, MI in Calhoun County. The Oneida – Nelson Road project is a new 345 kV transmission line that will connect the existing Oneida 345 kV line to the Nelson Road substation.

Michigan Public Power Agency ("MPPA") is an incumbent electric transmission company as defined in the Transmission Infrastructure Planning Act ("Act 125 of 2021"). MPPA owns 90% of the 345kV transmission line from the Oneida substation south to the proposed Duck Lake substation that is to be connected to and integrated with the Hiple to Duck Lake and Oneida to Nelson Road projects. Michigan Electric Transmission Company ("METC") owns the remaining share of the line.

For both regionally cost shared projects, MPPA will work with METC to coordinate planning, development and complying with the requirements of local, state, and federal governing bodies and regulatory authorities.

If you have any questions and/or would like to discuss any of these matters, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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Michigan Public Service Commissioner Tremaine Phillips

ITC/METC, Mr. Simon Whitelocke ITC/METC, Mr. Charles Marshall