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Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20426

RE: El Paso Electric Company, Docket No. ER25-
Filing of Revised Schedule 10 (Real Power Losses)

Dear Secretary Reese:

Pursuant to Section 205 of the Federal Power Act (“FPA”) and Part 35 of the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC” or “Commission”), El Paso Electric Company (“EPE”) respectfully submits revised Schedule 10 (Real Power Losses) of its Open Access Transmission Tariff (“OATT”). The filed Schedule 10 includes updated transmission loss factors based on EPE’s latest available transmission loss study.

I. EL PASO ELECTRIC COMPANY

EPE is a vertically integrated electric utility whose primary business is serving native load in far west Texas and southern New Mexico. EPE provides service to about 450,000 customers in an area of approximately 10,000 square miles. EPE is authorized to sell energy and owns transmission facilities over which it offers service under its Open Access Transmission Tariff (“OATT”).

II. DESCRIPTION OF THE FILING

EPE agreed, as part of a Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission in Docket No. ER22-282-000, to make a filing to update its real power loss factors within six months of the effective date of that settlement.¹ Section 5.1 of the Settlement Agreement provides that EPE should file revised Schedule 10 of its OATT to reflect updated transmission loss factors based on a transmission loss study.²

¹ Letter Order Approving El Paso Electric Settlement Agreement, Docket No. ER22-282-000 (Aug. 2, 2024).

² In its entirety, Section 5.1 reads: “EPE agrees to file with the Commission, no later than six months following the Settlement Effective Date, revisions to Schedule 10 of the EPE OATT to reflect updated transmission loss factors based on a transmission loss study.”

Therefore, EPE is filing this revised Schedule 10, which is based on EPE’s latest available loss study performed by Dr. Paul Normand of Management Applications Consulting, Inc. The study incorporates data from EPE’s transmission system consisting of voltages 69 kV to 345 kV.³ Applying Dr. Normand’s study results, EPE is proposing to revise its real power loss factor to decrease it from 4.23% to 2.374%, as reflected in the marked version of EPE’s OATT Schedule 10. Schedule 10, as revised, seeks to apply the same loss factor to all OATT services performed in the EPE Balancing Authority Area without regard to whether the OATT service is Point-to-Point Transmission Service or Network Integration Transmission Service. The two-part loss factor structure for Network Integration Transmission Service currently in effect under EPE’s OATT is being discontinued and replaced with a structure under which a single loss factor is assessed. This update is consistent with Commission-approved methodologies in effect on other transmission provider systems, which use a single loss factor for network service.⁴

III. EFFECTIVE DATE

EPE requests that the Commission accept EPE’s filing effective 60 days from the day of this filing (May 2, 2025).⁵

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

Communications regarding this filing should be sent to the following individuals:

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V. CONTENTS OF THIS FILING

1. Transmittal letter;
2. Results of Dr. Paul Normand’s loss factor calculations and explanatory notes; and
3. Schedule 10 tariff record in clean and marked format.

VI. CONCLUSION

EPE respectfully requests that the Commission accept the attached Schedule 10 tariff record,

³ EPE is a joint co-owner of certain 500 kV transmission facilities located in Arizona. Such facilities are not part of EPE’s Balancing Authority Area. Transmission losses for those Arizona facilities are assessed by the operator of those facilities, as set forth in EPE’s OATT. The instant filing does not seek to change how losses are assessed for those Arizona facilities (See EPE’s Schedule 10 regarding external paths).

⁴ *E.g.*, see Public Service Company of New Mexico (Schedule 10, referencing Section 28.5 of its OATT), Arizona Public Service Company (Schedule 12, referencing 28.5 of its OATT).

⁵ 16 U.S.C. § 824d(d).

as proposed.

Respectfully submitted,

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A. REVISED LOSS FACTOR

TABLE I

Transmission Voltage	345 kV–115 kV–69 kV
Loss Factor %	2.374%

Loss factors are simply the ratio of the energy loss to the total energy. The total energy can be referenced to either the input level, which also includes losses, or the losses by the total delivered energy excluding losses. The latter calculation is the proposed annual energy loss factor. The average loss factors are identified based on a review of data in El Paso Electric Company's Balancing Authority Area.

TABLE II

Illustrative
Example:

Input MWH	1,050	
Delivered MWH	1,000	
Losses	50	
1) Loss Factor (delivered)	$\frac{50}{1,000}$	= 0.0500
2) Loss Factor (Input)	$\frac{50}{1,000 + 50}$	= 0.04762

B. LOSS FACTOR CALCULATION

Losses occur in all electrical equipment in the transmission of energy in El Paso Electric Company's transmission facilities consisting of conductor circuits and substation transformers.

The loss calculations consisted of initially modeling the hourly transmission load seasonally (Summer – June, July, August, September and Winter – all other months). With these hourly loads, power flows analyses were prepared for each season consisting of five hourly analyses (100, 90, 75, 50, and 40%) of the peak in each season, or a total of ten power flows. Using this detail loss information, a linear interpolation of the hourly losses was estimated between the load and loss levels between the identified percent load levels. As a result, hourly loss calculations are derived with the technical support being provided by the ten detailed power flows for the calendar year.

The proposed Transmission Loss Factor is an annual energy delivery (output) consisting of the following results.

TABLE III

Transmission Losses	200,347 MWH	
Transmission Hourly Load	8,641,306 MWH	(Input)
Loss Factor at Input	= 0.02318	
Loss Factor at Meter	200,347 MWH	
	8,440,959 MWH	(Output)
	= 0.02374	

Explanatory Notes on the Loss Factor Analysis

Transmission line losses were calculated for EPE based on a modeling of unique voltage levels identified by power flow data and configuration for the entire EPE Balancing Authority Area, which consists of 69 kV to 345 kV voltage levels. Specific information as to length of line, voltage level, peak load, maximum load, etc., were reviewed. The loss calculations consisted of determining multiple line loading levels separately and evaluating the results for each recognized segment which was then summed by voltage levels.

After several system coincident peak hour losses were identified by season for each major transmission voltage level, a separate calculation was then made to develop annual average energy losses based on an hourly loss calculation. Using the results of ten power flows, hourly losses were derived for hours of the calendar year. The data upon which the evaluation losses was performed is data for the calendar year 2021.

The evaluation of transformer losses considered the characteristics associated with each transformer type, such as auto transformers and line transformers. Generator step-up transformers were excluded in the calculation of the updated loss factor presented in this filing.

FERC rendition of the electronically filed tariff records in Docket No. ER25-01463-000**Filing Data:**

CID	Filing Title	Company Filing Identifier	Type of Filing Code	Associated Filing Identifier
C000465	OATT Revisions to Schedule 10	212	10	
	Tariff Title	Tariff ID	Payment Confirmation	Suspension Motion
	Open Access Transmission Tariff	5		

Tariff Record Data:

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