

Southwestern Public Service Company

Emergency Circumstances Affecting System Reliability In Compliance with 18 C.F.R Section 358.7(h)(2) (formerly Part 358.4(a)(2))

In emergency circumstances affecting system reliability, a Transmission Provider may take whatever steps are necessary to keep the system in operation. Transmission Providers must report to the Commission and post on the OASIS or Internet website, as applicable, each emergency that resulted in any deviation from the standards of conduct, within 24 hours of such deviation.

Date	Emergency Circumstance
June 18, 2008	At approximately 20:35 p.m. CPT on June 17, 2008, during a period of severe thunderstorms, the SPS system experienced an underfrequency condition. SPS operators initially stabilized the SPS system at approximately 23:15 CPT on June 17, 2008, and continued restoration efforts through approximately 01:45 CPT on June 18, 2008. From 21:00:00 CPT on June 17, 2007 through 01:45:00 CPT on June 18, 2008, SPS suspended the Standards of Conduct to allow for emergency communications between SPS Transmission Provider personnel and SPS Wholesale Merchant Function personnel to restore system operations.