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Joint Performance Review

August 8, 2013

Mr. John Bethel, Executive Director
Arkansas Public Service Commission
PO Box 400
Little Rock, AR 72203-0400

RE: Docket #13-041-U

Dear Mr. Bethel:

I am writing in regard to SWEPCO's application for the Shipe Road-Kings River 345-kV Project and to join with my colleagues, Senator Bledsoe and Senator King, in expressing my concerns about this project. As Senators Bledsoe and King noted in their July 29, 2013, letter to you, a number of constituents and potentially impacted parties have expressed serious concerns about the Shipe Road-Kings River Project. Given the scope of the project and potential for negatively impacting area residents and businesses, I believe we need to thoroughly study this proposed project and explore the viability of all available alternatives before proceeding with approval of this project.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Bob Ballinger
State Representative
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