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Technical and Engineering Qualifications of the Entity or its Affiliate, Partner, or Parent Company

Northeast Transmission Development, LLC, Central Transmission, LLC, and Silver Run Electric, LLC are wholly owned subsidiaries of LS Power Associates, L.P. (together with its subsidiaries and predecessors known as "LS Power Group" or "LS Power"). LS Power is a privately held power generation and transmission company that owns and manages one of the largest and most diverse independent power generation and transmission portfolios in the United States. LS Power is an experienced developer of large-scale energy projects, including over 780 miles of high-voltage transmission infrastructure. LS Power has raised over in debt and equity in connection with power industry investment, including over for construction and operation of new transmission facilities.

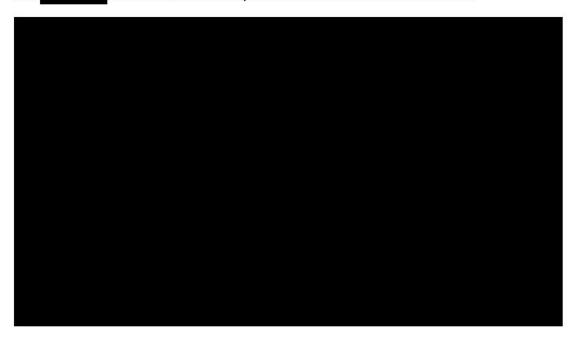


Figure 1: Cumulative Capital Raised by LS Power



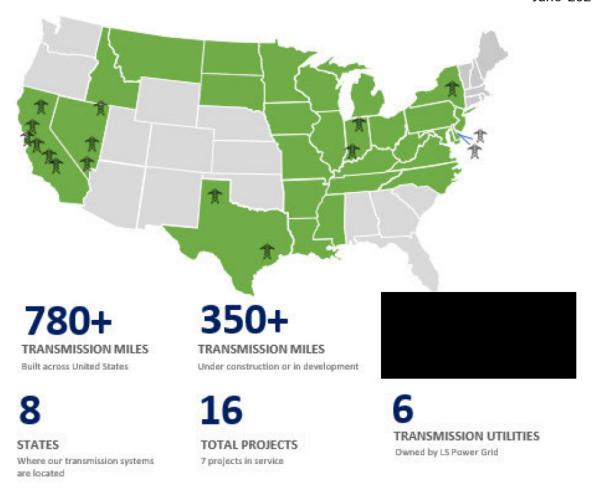


Figure 2: Overview of LS Power's Transmission Development

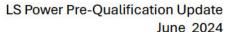
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Of note since the 2021 qualifications submittal, LS Power Grid New York, an affiliate of LS Power has completed construction of the Central East Energy Connect Project and placed it in service in November 2023. The Central East Energy Connect project was completed ahead of the schedule and below the estimated cost identified by the New York ISO ("NYISO") independent consultant, passing savings achieved through project development onto ratepayers. Further, the project was completed prior to the NYISO required in-service date, and in accordance with the cost containment commitments included in the proposal and incorporated into the FERC formula rates. LS Power's success related to competitively solicited transmission projects is further outlined in Table 1 below. Attachment 1 provides a more detailed project profile for each of these facilities.



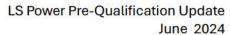
Table 1 – LS Power Operating Transmission Projects

Project	Description	Permitting & Development	Construction Management	Status	O&M	Suspended/ Terminated	Ability to timely remedy operational failure
Texas CREZ Cross Texas Transmission, LLC	ERCOT Transmission Service Provider with 240-mile, double circuit 345 kV transmission system, including a new 345 kV substation and a new series compensation station, in Texas panhandle	Permitted and developed by LS Power beginning March 2009	Construction began in 2011 and managed by LS Power	Completed in 2013 and operating	Operations provided by LS Power; routine maintenance by LS Power; major maintenance activities performed by contractors	No	Field staff supported by a third-party contractor successfully diagnosed and responded timely to damage as a result of two different tornado events. The first destroyed a third party's 230 kV line in the same corridor with minimal damage to CTT facilities. The second destroyed ~ 1 mile of CTT towers. Damage repaired and facilities returned to service within three (3) weeks.
One Nevada Line ("ON Line") Great Basin Transmission South, LLC	235-mile, 500 kV transmission line and a new 500/345 kV substation in Nevada	Permitted and developed by LS Power beginning in 2005	Construction managed by co-owner	Completed in 2013 and operating	Operations and maintenance by co-owner	No	Operations, maintenance, and emergency response by co-owner with local resources





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Project	Description	Permitting & Development	Construction Management	Status	O&M	Suspended/ Terminated	remedy operational failure
Gray to Allen Creek Cross Texas Transmission, LLC	25-mile single circuit 345 kV generation interconnection line and a new 345 kV substation	Permitted and developed by LS Power beginning in 2014	Construction began 2015 and managed by LS Power	Completed in 2016	Operations provided by LS Power; routine maintenance by LS Power; major maintenance activities performed by contractors	No	Field staff supported by third-party contractor
Limestone to Gibbons Creek Cross Texas Transmission, LLC	67-mile double circuit 345 kV transmission line	Permitted and developed by LS Power beginning in 2014	Construction began 2016 and managed by LS Power	Completed in April 2018 and operating	O&M provided by co-owner	No	Operations, maintenance, and emergency response by co-owner with local resources
Silver Run to Hope Creek Silver Run Electric, LLC	5-mile single circuit 230 kV transmission line in New Jersey and Delaware, including 3-mile submarine river crossing, and a new 230 kV substation	Permitted and developed by LS Power beginning in 2013	Construction began in 2018 and managed by LS Power	Completed in May 2020 and operating	Operations provided by LS Power; routine maintenance by LS Power; major maintenance activities performed by contractors	PJM temporarily suspended development from August 2016 to April 2017 to evaluate cost increases in the incumbent utility scope.	Field staff supported by third-party contractor





Project	Description	Permitting & Development	Construction Management	Status	O&M	Suspended/ Terminated	Ability to timely remedy operational failure
Duff to Coleman Republic Transmission, LLC	31-mile single circuit 345 kV transmission	Permitted and developed by LS Power beginning in 2015	Construction began in 2018 and managed by LS Power	Completed in June 2020 and operating	O&M provided by co-owner	No	Operations, maintenance, and emergency response by co-owner with local resources
Harry Allen to Eldorado DesertLink, LLC	60-mile single circuit 500 kV transmission line and 500 kV series compensation station	Permitted and developed by LS Power beginning in 2016	Construction began in 2018 and managed by LS Power	Completed in August 2020	O&M provided by local partner	No	Operations, maintenance, and emergency response by co-owner with local resources
Central East Energy Connect LS Power Grid New York, Inc.	93-mile mostly double circuit 345 kV transmission line and two (2) new 345 kV substations	Permitted and developed by LS Power as lead with NYPA beginning in 2019	Construction began in 2020 and managed by LS Power	Completed in November 2023	O&M provided by LS Power with maintenance support from NYPA	No	Field staff supported by third-party contractor and NYPA support for substations



Demonstrated experience of the entity or its affiliate, partner, or parent company to develop, construct, maintain, and operate transmission facilities, including a list or other evidence of transmission facilities the entity, its affiliate, partner, or parent company previously developed, constructed, maintained, or operated

Table 1 and Attachment 1 identify updates to LS Power's experience in developing, constructing, maintaining and operating transmission facilities.

Previous record of the entity or its affiliate, partner, or parent company regarding construction, maintenance, or operation of transmission facilities both inside and outside of the PJM Region

Table 1 and <u>Attachment 1</u> identify updates to LS Power's record regarding constructing, maintaining and operating transmission facilities

Capability of the entity or its affiliate, partner, or parent company to adhere to standardized construction, maintenance and operating practices

LS Power has a long track record of adhering to standardized construction, maintenance, and operating requirements. All of LS Power's projects have been constructed, maintained and operated in accordance with a long list of requirements.

For all of its facilities, LS Power ensures that engineering and construction is completed in accordance with all applicable codes, standards, regulations and laws. For transmission facilities, this includes the National Electrical Safety Code, IEEE, Good Utility Practice, as well as NERC Standards and any applicable regional requirements such as requirements of an RTO or interconnecting utility. These requirements are incorporated into the scope of the facilities and relevant contracts, and LS Power employs the appropriate level of engineering oversight, construction management, and construction inspection to ensure compliance with these requirements. This approach has been used successfully for all projects identified in Attachment 1.

Similarly, LS Power requires that maintenance be planned and performed in accordance with all applicable codes, standards, regulations, and laws. For example, Cross Texas Transmission, LLC follows an extensive set of policies and procedures to ensure maintenance is performed in accordance with NERC standards and other requirements. Operations is also conducted in a manner to ensure adherence to standard operating practices, including NERC, FERC, and local area requirements. For example, Cross Texas Transmission, LLC's primary and back-up control centers are currently certified by the Texas Reliability Entity (TRE) and is staffed 24-7-365 by NERC certified operators. TRE had no findings or recommendations in its audit of Cross Texas Transmission, LLC's compliance, including application of its policies and procedures.



Financial statements of the entity or its affiliate, partner, or parent company for the most recent fiscal quarter, as well as the most recent three fiscal years, or the period of existence of the entity, if shorter, or such other evidence demonstrating an entity's or its affiliate's, partner's, or parent company's current and expected financial capability acceptable to the Office of the Interconnection

Audited financial statements for 2021 -2023 and unaudited financial statements for Q1 2024 can be found in Attachment 2.

Commitment by the entity to execute the Consolidated Transmission Owners Agreement, if the entity becomes a Designated Entity

Northeast Transmission Development, LLC and Silver Run, LLC have become a designated entities and have committed in the Designated Entity Agreement to execute the Consolidated Transmission Owners Agreement prior to operation of facilities. LS Power commits that any subsidiary that becomes a designated entity in the future will execute the Consolidated Transmission Owners Agreement.

Evidence demonstrating the ability of the entity or its affiliate, partner, or parent company to address and timely remedy failure of facilities

The ability to address and timely remedy failure of facilities is dependent on several functions within a transmission utility. First, the utility must have sufficient situational awareness to timely identify and locate the failure, in other words real-time operational capability and system visibility. Second, the entity must have the resources to timely respond and remedy such failure, in other words emergency response capability. LS Power has established operational and emergency response capabilities for all of the generation and transmission facilities under its control, and the approach has varied based on the specific facilities. The resources to address and timely remedy failure of facilities that LS Power may be designated will depend on factors as described below.

<u>Real Time System Operations</u>. A designated entity will intend to share a control center with other LS Power affiliates, including Cross Texas. Cross Texas has received acknowledgement of the ability to perform this service in filings with the Texas Public Utility Commission (PUCT Docket No. 45980) and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC Docket EL16-46). The scope of real time system operations will include monitoring the real time operations of the facilities including operational control such as switching of facilities, real-time scheduling and coordination with PJM, and compliance with all real-time operations requirements, applicable NERC standards, and other requirements.

Emergency Response. Maintenance and emergency response duties includes aerial and/or ground inspections of the facilities, substation testing and troubling shooting, repair and/or replacement of any damaged materials and/or equipment, ground maintenance, vegetative management, and other scheduled or unscheduled maintenance and emergency response. It is common in the industry for certain maintenance and emergency response activities to be supported by third-party service providers. A designated entity would have a combination of internal staff supplemented with third-party resources for emergency response, consistent with the approach employed by Cross Texas. Cross Texas leads all maintenance and emergency response activities but can supplement staff as needed. This allows Cross



Texas to keep its day-to-day maintenance costs reasonable but provides flexibility to the company to respond to more significant activities, if required.

Additional evidence of the ability to address and timely remedy failure of facilities can be found in the multiple experiences of Cross Texas. Cross Texas's facilities are in the Texas Panhandle, which experiences relatively frequent tornadic activity. The system has had damage from two tornado events in the last 10 years. The first event destroyed an adjacent 230 kV transmission line on wood H-frame structures, with minimal damage to Cross Texas's facilities. Cross Texas was able to quickly assess the damage and keep the facilities in service until an outage could be taken to repair the damage. The second event was a direct hit of a tornado recorded as EF3 (wind speeds between 136 and 165 mph), which destroyed approximately one mile of facilities in a remote area of the Texas Panhandle. CTT has an Emergency Response Team available to respond to such events. Cross Texas operations personnel ensured the line was locked out when the line was tripped. Cross Texas was able to mobilize resources to assess the damage once the storm had cleared and the area was safe for personnel to respond. The Emergency Response Team worked with our outside partners in mobilizing equipment, material and labor to perform the repair and restoration work. The demolition of existing structures and conductor was completed in a matter of days. During this same time period, a separate team of engineers and contractors installed new foundations as quickly as possible to allow foundation curing prior to setting permanent structures. Once the foundations were cured properly, new structures were set and conductor and communication lines were strung. CTT had all the structures and material in-house to make the repairs and so temporary structures were not needed, which would have required an additional outage to replace the temporary structures with permanent facilities. CTT was able to energize the line with permanent structures in less than 3 weeks. This was a very successful restoration considering the damage to facilities in a remote location with difficult access.

Additionally, in 2020, large parts of Texas experienced a severe ice storm which caused multiple 345 kV structures in the Electric Reliability Council of Texas ("ERCOT") and in the Southwest Power Pool ("SPP") to collapse under the weight of ice laden transmission lines. Cross Texas Transmission experienced significant damage to conductor, static wire, optical ground wire ("OPGW"), and hardware on eight (8) spans of 345 kV transmission line spread across multiple counties. Cross Texas Transmission, with support from LS Power's engineering team, assessed the damage, developed a repair plan, and mobilized crews to complete repairs. Restoration was ultimately completed in four (4) days with the assistance of contractors and multiple mobilizations with very difficult access in remote locations.

Description of the experience of the entity or its affiliate, partner, or parent company in acquiring rights of way

LS Power has successfully routed and permitted over 700 miles of 345+ kV transmission infrastructure in the past ten years. LS Power leverages the technical expertise and knowledge of internal functional teams to successfully lead regulatory permitting and routing activities to execute projects on time and on budget. LS Power has an established methodology for the route selection process detailed in Figure 3.



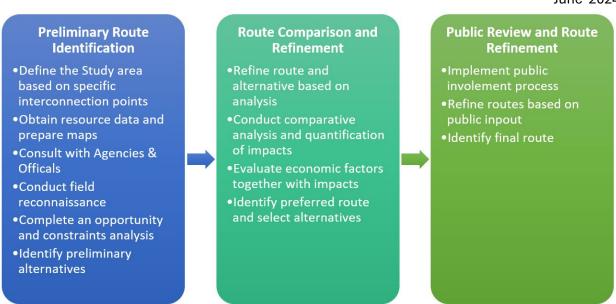


Figure 3 – Route Selection Process

The route selection process allows LS Power functional teams to identify the optimal route for projects and route alternatives to be able to being the public review process upon projects awarded to Southwest by SPP.

In many jurisdictions, receiving permits and approvals for a specific transmission line route is a prerequisite for obtaining rights-of-way, and LS Power has a track record of obtaining such permits and approvals for transmission line projects in many different jurisdictions on both private and public lands. LS Power uses licensed land agents and consultation experts to work with land owners, stakeholders, and government agencies early in the process to understand potential impacts associated with particular routes and alternatives. The Right-of-Way and land acquisition functional teams at LS Power have successfully obtained ROW and land rights in over 10 states. More than 95% of easements were obtained without the use of eminent domain. LS Power has experience using eminent domain, but only exercises these rights when necessary. LS Power has a proven track record and methodology for completing Right-of-Way and land acquisition activities for transmission projects as detailed in Figure 4.



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Figure 4 - ROW and Land Acquisition Plan