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| **purpose** |
| In order for a transmission developer to be eligible to submit a regional transmission project proposal for potential selection into the SERTP regional transmission plan for purposes of cost allocation, the transmission developer must complete this form and satisfy the governing tariff requirements to be pre-qualified.  |
| **Instructions** |
| 1. Complete Sections I -V of this form by providing all information or by indicating that such information is not available (N/A). If necessary, attachments may be included to demonstrate capabilities and depth of experience; however, the inclusion of pre-printed brochures or other marketing materials is discouraged. Any updates or changes to the provided information after the submittal date must be provided to the recipient based on the governing tariff requirements and requirements posted on the Regional Planning Website.
2. Submit the completed form and all documentation by August 1st by email (southeasternrtp@southernco.com), fax (205-257-6654), or mail to:

Southeastern Regional Transmission Planningc/o Southern Company Services, Inc.600 North 18th Street/13N-8812Birmingham, AL 35203 |

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| **Section I – general information (applicant required to complete this section)** |
| I-A. Legal Name of Transmission Developer Applicant:  |       |
|  Date on which Legal Entity was Organized:  |       | [ ]  Certificate of Existence is attached to application |
|  Street Address:  |       | City:  |       |
|  State:  |       | ZIP Code:  |       |
| I-B. Organization Type *(Please select one)* [ ]  Public (for profit) [ ]  Other:        [ ]  Private (for profit)   [ ]  Governmental  |
| I-C. Form of Entity *(Please select one)* [ ]  Corporation [ ]  Limited Liability Company [ ]  Municipal-Owned Entity   [ ]  General Partnership [ ]  Limited Liability Partnership [ ]  Other:       [ ]  Sole Proprietor [ ]  Limited Partnership  |
| I-D. D-U-N-S Number:  |       |  |  |
| I-E. NERC ID Number (*if any*): |       |  |
| I-F. Primary Contact Name:  |       | Position/Title:  |       |
|  Phone:  |       | Fax:  |       |
|  Email:  |       |

I-G. Description of the scope and nature of transmission developer’s business:

I-H. Indicate by checking one of the boxes below whether the Transmission Developer (or any of its affiliates) has load in the SERTP region.

[ ]  Yes, Transmission Developer (or its affiliate(s)) has load in the SERTP region

 Location of Load (County, State):

 Approximate Peak Load (MW):

[ ]  NO, Transmission Developer (or its affiliate(s)) does not have load in the SERTP region

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| **section II– Financial Information** **(applicant required to complete either II-A, II-B, or II-C, as applicable, and II-D in this section)** |
| II-A. BBB-\* or better Rated Transmission Developer  |
| 1. Select each Credit Agency providing a Credit Rating and provide all available Credit Rating(s)\*\* from each such Credit Agency (select and enter all that apply):

[ ]  Fitch Ratings, Inc. Credit Rating(s):      [ ]  Moody’s Investors Service, Inc. Credit Rating(s):       [ ]  Standard & Poor’s Financial Services LLC Credit Rating(s):       |
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| 1. Provide report from each selected Credit Agency supporting (1) above

[ ]  Latest Rating Agency report(s) are attached to this Application |
| II-B. BBB-\* or better Rated Transmission Developer’s Parent Company(ies)1. Provide the following information for each Parent Company providing the Commitment referenced below:
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| **Parent Company****Full Legal Name** | **Domiciled Country** | **Credit Agency**(one entry per agency per company) | **Credit Rating\*\*** |
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| 1. Provide the following:
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| Date on which Parent Company was organized: |       | [ ]  Evidence is attached to this Application |
| [ ]  Commitment to provide acceptable Guaranty signed by Parent Company and attached to this Application |
| [ ]  Latest Rating Agency reports supporting II-B (1) above are attached to this Application |
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\* or equivalent

\*\* The senior unsecured debt (not supported by third party credit enhancements) (or similar) rating from the relevant entity from the Rating Agencies will be considered the “Credit Rating”. However, if such a senior unsecured debt (not supported by third party credit enhancements) (or similar) rating is unavailable, the Rating Agencies’ issuer (or similar) ratings (not supported by third party credit enhancements) will be considered as the Credit Rating.

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| II-C. Unrated Transmission Developer |
| 1. Please choose either option a. or b. below and provide the documentation referenced therein and the information requested in II-C (2-12) below, as applicable:

a. [ ]  Entity with publicly traded stock Ticker Symbol:     If selected, then provide the following documentation (and updates thereto as and when available):1. Annual reports on Form 10K (or successor form) for the three (3) fiscal years most recently ended with any amendments thereto

[ ]  Documentation for i. is attached to this ApplicationPublic location of documentation (i.e. website):     1. Quarterly reports on Form 10-Q (or successor form) for each completed quarter of the current fiscal year with any amendments thereto; and

[ ]  Documentation for ii. is attached to this ApplicationPublic location of documentation (i.e. website):     1. Form 8-K (or successor form) reports disclosing material changes, if any, that have been filed since the most recent Form 10-K (or successor form), as applicable

[ ]  Documentation for iii. is attached to this ApplicationPublic location of documentation (i.e. website):     b. [ ]  Entity is privately heldIf selected, then provide the following documentation (and updates thereto as and when available): 1. Financial Statements (audited, if available), including balance sheets, income statements, statement of cash flows, and statement of stockholder’s (or other owner’s) equity

[ ]  Documentation for i. is attached to this Application1. Report of Independent Accountants

[ ]  Documentation for ii. is attached to this Application1. Management’s Discussion and Analysis

[ ]  Documentation for iii. is attached to this Application1. Notes to Financial Statements

[ ]  Documentation for iv. is attached to this Application1. Financial Projections for next five years

[ ]  Documentation for v. is attached to this Application |
| 1. Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code:
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| 1. North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Code:
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| 1. Bank and acceptable trade references:

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| **Name of Bank:** |       | Phone: |       |
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| **Trade References** |
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| 1. Information as to any material litigation, commitments, contingencies, bankruptcies, or defaults by, against or involving, the transmission developer (if relevant or potentially relevant to any other information provided in this form or otherwise affecting or potentially affecting the ability of the transmission developer to satisfy the financial or technical criteria in the governing tariffs or to construct, own, or operate a transmission project rated 300 kV or above) or, its predecessors, subsidiaries, or affiliates:

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| **Date** | **Affected Entity** | **Dollar Amount** | **Description** | **Status** |
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| 1. Information as to the ability to recover investment in and return on projects:

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| **Project Description** | **Description of Ability to Recover Investment** | **Description of Ability to Obtain Return on Project** |
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| 1. Information as to the financial protections afforded to unsecured creditors contained in contracts and other legal documents related to transmission developer’s formation and governance:

[ ]  Such information is attached to this Application  |
| 1. Information as to the number and composition of transmission developer’s members or customers:

[ ]  Members Quantity:       Type:       [ ]  Customers Quantity:       Type:       |
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| 1. Information as to compliance with any existing financial covenants:

[ ]  Such information is attached to this Application  |
| 1. Description of risk management plan and policies and exposure to price risk, interest rate risk and market risk:

[ ]  Such information is attached to this Application  |
| 1. Any additional information, materials and documentation deemed relevant evidencing financial capability to develop, construct, operate and maintain projects for the life of the projects:

[ ]  Such information is attached to this Application |
| 1. If any documentation or information requested to be provided in II-C is either not available and/or not applicable to the Applicant, provide a listing thereof and explain why below:

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| II-D. Additional Information |
| 1. Provide information pertaining to any current public investigations against transmission developer, parent company (as defined in the governing tariff requirements), or affiliate transmitting utility by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), or any other governing, regulatory, or standards body below:

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| **Investigator** | **Description of Investigation** | **Status** |
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| 1. Provide a description (including date, dollar amount, and status) of any previous event or occurrence which could constitute a material adverse change (since the issuing of the most recent Credit Rating or financial statements provided above or the most recent Pre-Qualification Application provided) in the transmission developer’s or parent company’s financial condition below:

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| **Event Type** | **Event Description** |
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| **section III – Technical Information (applicant required to complete this section)** |
| III-A. Transmission Project Information  |
| 1. Provide a description of the transmission developer’s, parent company’s, or affiliate’s experience engineering, constructing, operating, and maintaining significant electric transmission projects:
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| 1. Provide the following information for, at a minimum, the most recent ten (10) years regarding all of the transmission developer’s, parent company’s, or affiliate’s transmission projects greater than 300kV that are in-service, under construction, and/or abandoned. Any additional information for each project listed may be included as an attachment to this application:
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| **Project** | **Status** | **Voltage (kV)** | **Length(miles)** | **Location(County, State)** | **Approximate Installed Costs** | **Schedule** |  **Responsible Entity for each Project Phase** |
| **Engineering Start Date** | **Construction Start Date** | **COD** | **Engineering**  | **Construction** | **Operation & Maintenance** | **Ownership** |
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| 1. Provide a description and explanation of whether any project delays occurred that resulted in delays beyond the required in-service date for transmission projects greater than 300kV that are in-service, under construction, and/or abandoned:

     1. Provide a description of staffing and resource plan or procedures for engineering, constructing, operating, and maintaining transmission projects greater than 300kV:

     1. Provide a list of permits that have been obtained for transmission facilities greater than 300kV *(attach additional items to this application as needed)* :

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| **Permitting Authority** | **Permit Description** |
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| 1. If Operating Utilities, Engineering or Technical Consultants, and Construction Contractors were used as evidence of project information included in 2. above, provide a list of references including contact information for such entities:

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| **Project Name** | **Reference Entity Name** | **Contact Name** | **Phone Number / Email** |
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| III-B. Provide a description of capability and strategy to address and timely remedy transmission facility failures for transmission projects greater than 300kV including spare parts, emergency repair and response, and provide specific examples of occurrences:      |
| III-C. Provide any public violations (including safety, reliability, and regulatory) pertaining to the development, construction, ownership, operation, and/or maintenance of electric transmission infrastructure facilities, provided that violations of CIP standards are not required to be identified *(attach additional items to this application as needed)* :

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| **Type of Violation** | **Date of Violation** | **Explanation of Violation** | **Public location of documentation****(i.e. website):** |
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| III-D. Provide a description of the experience and typical process(es) for acquiring rights of way:      |
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| **section IV – administrative Fee(s) (applicant required to complete this section)** |
| All Applicants are required to submit an administrative fee for processing of this application. If a Rating Equivalent is to be generated for an Unrated Transmission Developer, then an additional administrative fee is required. IV-A. Please select the administrative fee(s) required and enter the total (*select all that apply*): [ ]  $25,000, All Applicants [ ]  $15,000, Unrated Transmission Developer requesting a Rating Equivalent through the SERTP per Section II-C  of this application      Total Administrative Fee (sum of selected fees)  |
| IV-B. Form of Payment (*select one*): [ ]  Check *(made out to Southern Company Services, Inc.)* Check number:      [ ]  Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) *If selected, instructions for EFT will be sent to Applicant.* |
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| **Section V - signature section (required)** |

By executing this Application, the undersigned certifies that the undersigned is authorized to do so in the name and on behalf of the Applicant and further certifies on behalf of Applicant that the information provided in all sections of this application is complete and correct, and the Applicant will provide notice of any update/change in any such information in accordance with the requirements in the governing tariff(s) and requirements posted on the Regional Planning Website.

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| Name: |       | Title: |       |
| Signature: |       |

**Attachment 1**

**COMMITMENT TO ISSUE GUARANTY**

 The undersigned, the parent company (“Parent”) of (“Transmission Developer”), hereby commits to the Sponsors to provide each of them with a Developer Parent Guaranty upon request satisfying (i) the requirements in Attachment K to Southern Companies’ Open Access Transmission Tariff (“Tariff”) and corresponding attachments or provisions in other FERC jurisdictional Sponsors’ tariffs (collectively with the Tariff, as may be revised, amended or replaced, the “Tariffs”) and (ii) the requirements posted and updated on the Regional Planning Website (“Posted Requirements”) if Transmission Developer’s proposed transmission project is selected in a regional transmission plan for regional cost allocation purposes. The Parent also hereby represents and warrants to the Sponsors that Parent satisfies the Parent Guarantor requirements under the Tariffs and the Posted Requirements.

 Dated this day of , 20 .

Attest:

By:       By:

Its:       Name:

 Title:

Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Tariffs.