

### **CONTRIBUTION FOR CONSTRUCTION COSTS**

Agreement between

Entergy Arkansas, LLC

AND

NLRED (North Little Rock Electric Department)

	This	Agreem	ent for	Contribu	ution Fo	Constru	uction	Costs	(this	"Agreemen	t") is
made	and	entered	this _	_ day o	f	2025	betw	een Er	ntergy	Arkansas,	LLC
("Com	pany	") and No	orth Littl	e Rock E	:lectric D	epartmei	nt (the	e "Custo	omer")	).	

### **RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, Company is an electric utility providing transmission and distribution service in Arkansas;

WHEREAS, Customer wants to add a 50MVA transformer to address load growth in the area ("Project") and has requested that Company construct additional electric facilities to accommodate the Project ("Transmission Facilities Upgrades");

WHEREAS, Company has completed a Class 5 estimate ("Estimate") (a copy of which is incorporated herein and attached hereto as Exhibit "A") outlining the scope and estimated cost and construction duration of the Transmission Facilities Upgrades;

**WHEREAS,** Customer has agreed to fund all actual costs for the Transmission Facilities Upgrades in the form of cash contributions, as described more fully herein;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** for and in consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein, and other good and valuable consideration, receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Company and Customer hereby agree as follows:

- 1. Company agrees to conduct the engineering work, design work, procurement of materials and construct the Transmission Facilities Upgrades as more fully described in Exhibit A.
- 2. Customer shall pay Company for all costs associated with the Transmission Facilities Upgrades, including but not limited to, materials costs, labor costs, labor costs adders, costs associated with third party vendors and consultants, costs associated with securing all necessary approvals, taxes, capital suspense charges, overheads and associated tax gross up charges ("Construction Costs"). As of the date of this Agreement, the Construction Costs are estimated at Eight Million Five-Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand, Two-Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$8,553,255) (hereinafter referred to as "Transmission Facilities Cost Estimate"). It is understood that many variables, known and unknown, may impact this Transmission Facilities Cost Estimate significantly. However, irrespective of a change in the Transmission Facilities Cost Estimate, Customer agrees that all such costs expended by Company associated with the Transmission Facilities Upgrades shall be considered Construction Costs.
- 3. Customer shall pay the Transmission Facilities Cost Estimate immediately upon receipt of invoice per milestone payment schedule shown in **Exhibit "B."** Company shall have no obligation to begin the work contemplated under this Agreement until the Transmission Facilities Cost Estimate payment is received by Customer. It is expressly understood that Company may, from time to time, modify its Transmission Facilities Cost Estimate, based upon its most current information regarding the Project.
- 4. If there is a change in the Construction Costs, Company shall notify Customer of any additional payment amounts in writing and the modified payment amount shall be invoiced to Customer and Customer shall remit payment to Company in accordance with the instructions set forth on the invoice. If Customer fails to make payments in accordance with the instructions set forth on the invoice, Company, in its sole discretion, may immediately cease all activity on the Project. Company shall resume activity on the Project within 30 days of the date that full payment of all outstanding invoices is received, subject to the availability of Company crews and equipment. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW, CUSTOMER FULLY INDEMNIFIES, RELEASES AND HOLDS HARMLESS COMPANY FOR ANY AND ALL DAMAGES, LOSSES, CLAIMS AND

CAUSE OF ACTION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO DAMAGES ASSOCIATED WITH LOSS OF REVENUES, LOSS OF PRODUCT AND SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL AND INDIRECT DAMAGES, RESULTING FROM COMPANY'S CESSATION OF ACTIVITY OR ANY DELAY IN RESUMING ACTIVITY CAUSED BY CUSTOMER'S FAILURE TO PAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION 5.

- 6. Unless otherwise indicated on any invoice, all payments shall be made via wire transfer or check pursuant to Company's instructions.
- 7. It is expressly understood that Customer shall be responsible for making timely payments of invoices irrespective of the completion of the Project.
- Company reserves the right to terminate this Agreement for any of the following reasons: (1) the Arkansas Public Service Commission (APSC) takes any action that, in the opinion of Company, adversely affects the approval of the Transmission Facilities Upgrades, (2) the APSC or any other administrative agency or judicial body takes any action that, in the opinion of Company, modifies, alters or amends any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement or affects the intent of this Agreement that Company fully recover the Construction Costs, or results in an adverse effect to Company, (3) there is an occurrence that adversely affects Customer's financing of the Project, or (4) Customer fails to comply with any material terms of this Agreement. Termination of this Agreement shall be effective upon receipt by Customer of twenty-four (24) hours' advance written notification from Company of Company's desire to terminate the Agreement. In the event of termination, Customer shall remain responsible for all Construction Costs incurred by Company through the effective date of termination. In addition, Customer shall be responsible for any additional charges, including but not limited to, cancellation charges, demobilization charges, charges associated with the ordering and purchasing of materials incurred by Company, irrespective of termination. To the fullest extent allowed by law, Customer fully indemnifies, releases and holds harmless Company for any and all damages, losses, claims and causes of action, including but not limited to damages associated with loss of revenues, loss of product and special, consequential and indirect damages, resulting from Company's termination of this Agreement.

- 9. Customer shall have the right to cancel the Project and/or this Agreement at any time. Cancellation shall be effective upon receipt by Company of twenty-four (24) hours' advance written notification from Customer of Customer's desire to cancel. In the event of cancellation, Customer shall remain responsible for all Construction Costs incurred by Company through the effective date of cancellation. In addition, Customer shall be responsible for any additional charges incurred following the effective date of cancellation, including but not limited to, cancellation charges, demobilization charges, charges associated with the ordering and purchasing of materials incurred by Company, irrespective of cancellation.
- 10. It is expressly understood that this Agreement confers no ownership rights or interest to Customer in the facilities to be constructed by Company pursuant to this Agreement.
- 11. All notices, requests, consents and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be dispatched by nationwide overnight courier service, such as (without limitation) FedEx, or by United States Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties as follows:

COMPANY: Entergy Arkansas, LLC

13019 Vimy Ridge Rd Alexander, Arkansas 72002 Attn: Crystal Phillips

Telephone: 501-658-6307 Email: cphill7@entergy.com

CUSTOMER: North Little Rock Electric Department

1400 West Maryland Avenue North Little Rock, AR 72120

Attn: Eric Heinrichs, Director of Engineering

Telephone: (501) 992-4086 Email: eheinrichs@nlr.ar.gov Notices under this Agreement shall be deemed given upon the earlier of the date of delivery or the date upon which delivery is refused. Any changes in the names or addresses set out in this provision shall be through notice in conformity with the requirements of this provision.

- 12. Except as expressly allowed above, no waiver, addition, deletion, or modification of any provision contained in this Agreement shall be binding unless in writing and signed by duly-authorized representatives of both parties. Once an Amendment to this Agreement is made, it shall be deemed incorporated as of its effective date, unless expressly stated to the contrary in the Amendment.
- 13. Customer shall not assign this Agreement in whole or in part without the prior written consent of Company which consent may be withheld for any reason and any such purported assignment shall be null and void and, at Company's option, will constitute a material breach of this Agreement. No assignment of this Agreement, even if consented to by Company, shall relieve Customer of its responsibilities under this Agreement. Any assignee of Customer must agree in writing to all terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 14. The failure of either party to insist upon or enforce, in any instance, strict performance by the other of any of the terms of this Agreement or to exercise any rights herein or therein conferred shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment to any extent of its rights to assert or rely upon any such terms or rights on any future occasion.
- 15. It is agreed that if any clause or provision of this Agreement is by the courts held to be illegal or void, the validity of the remaining portions and provisions shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be enforced as if this Agreement did not contain such illegal or void clauses or provisions.
- 16. The provisions of this Agreement that by their nature continue shall survive any termination or cancellation of this Agreement, including all obligations or rights that exist as a result of an event or the failure of an event prior to or at the time of expiration or termination of this Agreement.
- 17. If this Agreement fully executed by Customer is not returned by September 24, 2025, this offer for engineering, design, procurement and construction of transmission facilities is invalid.

- 18. By its execution of this Agreement, Customer represents and warrants that it has secured all necessary approvals to enter this Agreement.
- 19. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of Arkansas.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, Company and Customer have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective authorized officials.

Entergy Ark	ansas, LLC	
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Printed Name:		Witness:
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North Little	Rock Electric Department	
By: ,		Witness:
Printed Name	e:	Witness:
Title:		
Customer Bil	lling Information:	
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Address:	1400 West Maryland Avenue	
Or e-mail PD	F Invoice to:	
Eric Heinrich	s	
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# Transmission Line & Substation Projects Company: Entergy Transmission / EAL

Customer: NLRED (North Little Rock Electric Department)
Project Name: Faulkner Lake
Requested on 07/21/2025

### **INITIAL CLASS 5 COST ESTIMATE**

Revision History				
Rev	Issue Date	Description of Revision	Prepared By	
2	07/24/2025	Draft Submitted for Internal Review	KT	
3	-	Final Revision Submitted for Customer Review	KT	

### **DISCLAIMER**

This document has been prepared without the benefit of detailed engineering, study data or analysis. The solution set specified herein reflects the current understanding of the proposed project and is valid for 60 calendar days following the final revision "Issue Date" indicated above. There are many unknown variables that exist at this time, which could significantly impact the scope of work and cost estimate detailed in this document. This document is provided "as is." Company makes no warranty or representation regarding the accuracy, completeness or usefulness of the information from this document, and expressly disclaims any and all warranties, whether express or implied, including, but not limited to, implied warranties of non-infringement, merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. Customer agrees that Company will not be liable to Customer or any third party for any damages of any kind arising out of any use of the information from this document, whether based on tort, contract or other theories of recovery, even when Company has been advised of such possibility in advance. In order to proceed with the project, a Facilities Study will be developed, resulting in a more definitive scope of work and cost estimate; and if required in connection with any further scoping, design, material procurement or construction-related activities, a Reimbursement Agreement must be entered into between Entergy and the Customer. The key assumptions used in preparation of this preliminary scope of work and cost estimate have been identified in Section 2.

### 1. PROJECT SUMMARY

### 1.1. Customer Need and Project Background

North Little Rock Electric Department ("Customer") approached Entergy Arkansas ("Company") in January, 2024 about adding a 50 MVA transformer and associated buswork to the Faulkner Lake Substation.

### 1.2. Proposed Scope

The recommended action plan involves the following:

 Substation: The 115kV Faulkner Lake substation currently consists of one 66.6 MVA transformer. The substation was originally designed with a footprint to house two transformers. The action plan includes the addition of one 50 MVA transformer and associated buswork.

### **Project Estimate**

This estimate is based on assumptions and is considered a Class 5 Estimate [-50 / +100%]. Subsequent project details obtained during project due-diligence, definition, detailed design, and material and labor procurement are not available to aid in further estimate definition.

Cost Description	Estimate
Direct Cost – Substation	\$6,216,161
Overhead Costs* [22.45%]	\$1,395,528
Subtotal	\$7,611,689
Tax Gross Up* [12.37%]	\$941,566
Total Project Cost (Class 5 Estimate)	\$8,553,255

<sup>\*</sup> Represents estimated % rate and subject to change. Actual rate is calculated during execution of the project.

### 1.3. Project Schedule

The schedule below depicts initial Level 2 schedule durations, based on an initial analysis of the scope. Further project definition could impact project schedule and cost.

Supply chain constraints for power transformers continue to result in extended lead times for this type of equipment. The current lead time from Entergy preferred vendors for this type of Power Transformer is up to 48 months. Competitive bidding is possible to improve lead times upon execution of a Reimbursement Agreement to cover such project activities.

Activity Description	Estimated Duration (Months)
Project Scoping and Definition	6
Engineering and Material Procurement**	48
Construction	8
Total Project Duration	56

<sup>\*\*</sup>PROJECT SCOPING AND MATERIAL PROCUREMENT WILL OVERLAP.

### 2. ASSUMPTIONS & RISKS

- This estimate assumes that the Customer is responsible to reimburse the work and that the Customer will pre-pay for the work by providing Capital In Aid of Construction (CIAC). As such the estimate does not include Applicable Funds Used During Construction Costs (AFUDC), Company's estimated Capital borrowing rate.
- The Customer will be required to enter into a reimbursement agreement to further advance the project. The Customer may enter into a Facilities Study Reimbursement Agreement to provide a full project baseline including a Class 3 estimate scope. Customer may request cost and duration estimate for this study that the Company will provide. The Customer may also choose to execute a Project Reimbursement Agreement with Company to execute the proposed scope of work as captured in this document.

- The estimate is prepared in 2025 nominal dollars and does not include annual inflation or unknown material or labor escalations.
- The estimate assumes that Entergy will utilize employees, contractors, or a combination thereof to perform the required oversight and performance of engineering, procurement and construction tasks and oversight to complete the Project.
- The Project assumes that outages can be obtained on the required facilities to perform the required construction tasks associated with this project.
- The Project assumes no additional schedule duration was included to account for weather delays beyond NOAA historic averages.
- The estimate assumes that there is no value in retired equipment, and all will be disposed of without the benefit of salvage credit.
- The Project assumes that there are no underground hazards present within the construction footprint that would prevent typical construction methods for this scope of work.
- The Project assumes that there are no special environmental, regulatory, etc. permits required to perform the required construction tasks associated with this project.
- This project assumes Entergy will have unimpeded access to the required facilities to complete the Project.
- This project assumes that no special work procedures or safety requirements are required for the Project.
- This project assumes no change to the current layout of the substation will be necessary and that no additional acreage will be required.
- The Project Schedule assumes that procurement of major components, such as the transformer, will begin during project scoping.

# 3. ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1: Customer / Request Details
- Attachment 2: Current Faulkner Lake Substation Map
- Attachment 3: Preliminary Conceptual Drawing

# Attachment 1: Customer Request/Details

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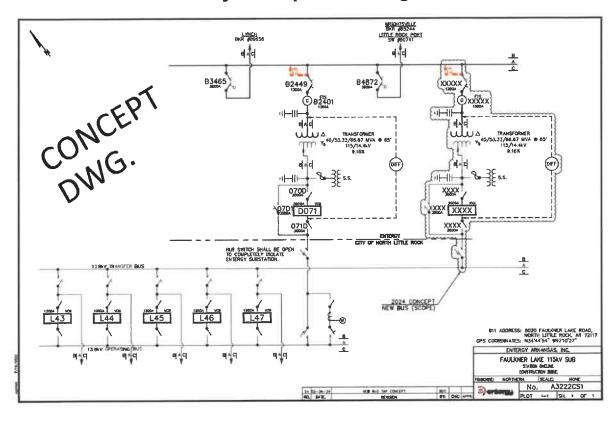
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Attachment 2: Current Faulkner Lake Substation Map



# **Attachment 3: Preliminary Conceptual Drawing**



"Exhibit B"
Milestone Payments Schedule

Payment Date	Amount		
Upon RA Execution (2025)	\$2,750,000		
01/15/26	\$2,900,000		
01/15/27	\$2,903,255		
Close out/True Up	TBD		
Total	\$8,553,255		

<sup>\*</sup>Suggested schedule is subject to change during scoping and engineering

## **DOCUMENT VERSION HISTORY**

Version Date		Description	Edited By
1.0	2/27/2020	Initial template developed	JMP
2.0	3/16/2021	Minor revisions/improvements	JCJ
3.0	1/25/2024	Format revisions and updates that Facilities Study not only path to advance project	CRC