

# NARUC Summer Meeting Electricity Committee

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- Edison's first light bulb – 1879
- First central station electrical generating plant – 1882
- Oklahoma – 1889
- OG&E – 1902



# Dilemma: What to do if current processes don't work?

- Old Paradigm: Plan generation and transmission together
  - OG&E built and acquired 6,000 MW of generating capacity and 4,200 miles of transmission lines
- Post FERC Order 888 Paradigm: Plan generation and transmission independently
- Current Process has challenges: Wind Interconnection and Transmission Service Queues are clogged across country. Plagued by the 'Chicken or Egg' conundrum
- New Approach: Must build transmission first, in order for wind generation to develop in a timely fashion
- You need a good plan. SPP developed it.

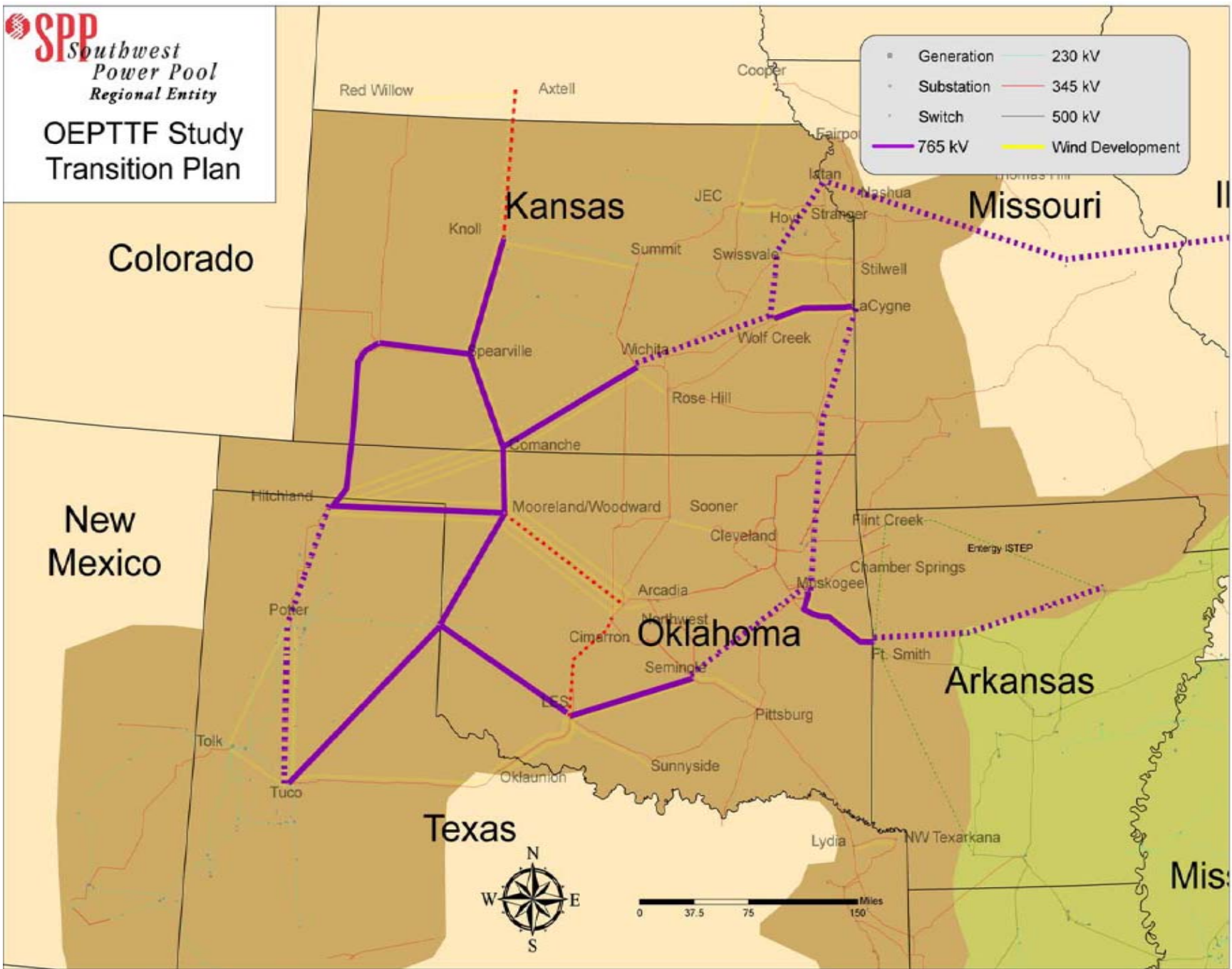


# What to build?

- Local - 345kV
  - Deliver wind generation to local load
- Regional – Initial parts of 765 kV plan
  - Deliver wind generation on a regional basis
  - Identify regional benefits
- National – 765kV build out
  - Full build out of 765kV system to deliver wind resources on a national basis

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• Substation	— 345 kV
• Switch	— 500 kV
— 765 kV	— Wind Development



# 345kV Transmission line from wind resource area in Oklahoma to load

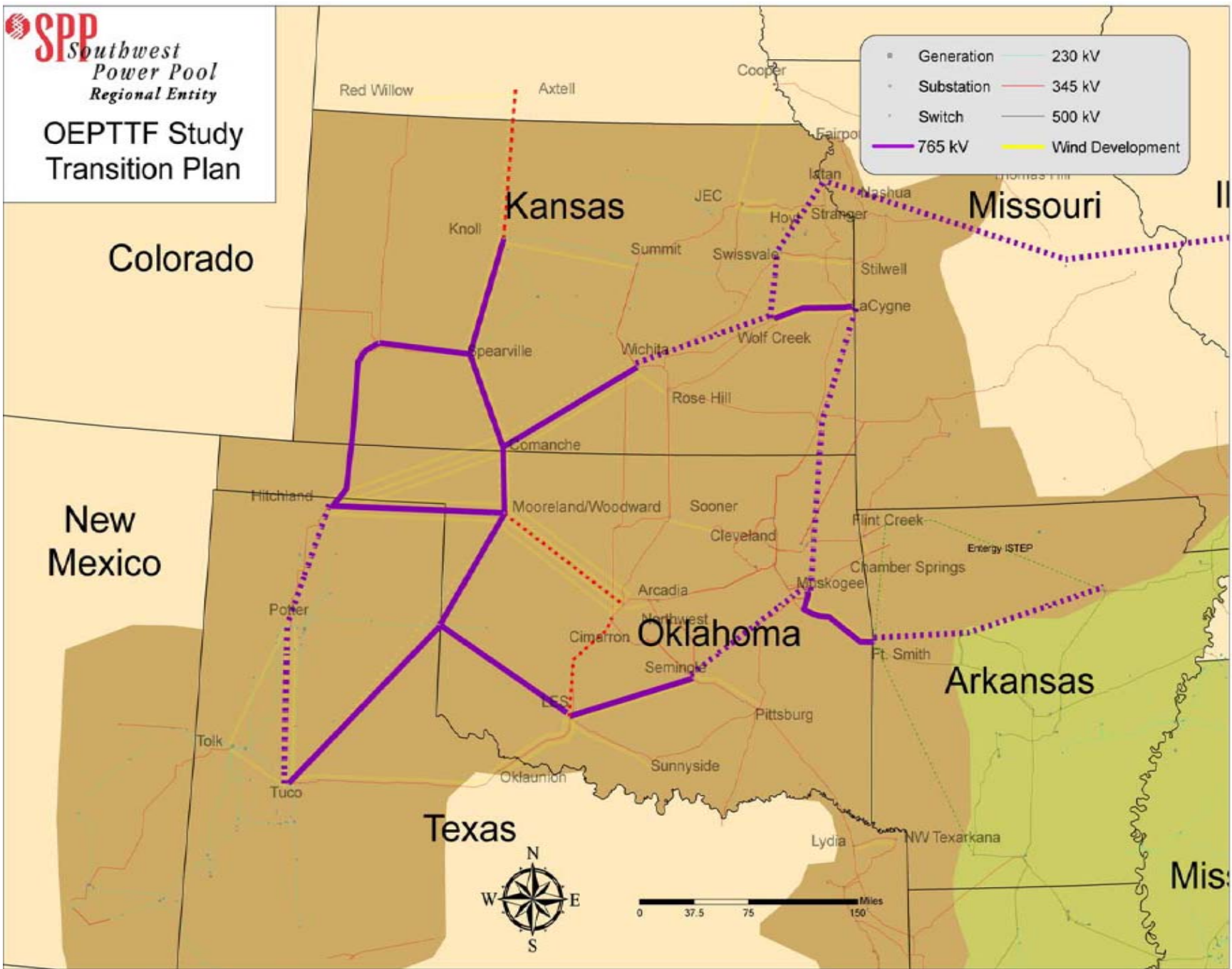
- Our customers want access to more renewable power
- The State of Oklahoma recognizes the economic benefits of developing wind generation
- Transmission is the constraint; OG&E filed case to recover cost of transmission line to allow additional wind development
- Case pending before Oklahoma Corporation Commission with a ruling requested in mid-August
- Line routing underway, four town-hall meetings held, 345/138kV Transformer and 70% of poles ordered; scheduled to be in service 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2009

# 765kV EHV on a Regional basis

- Identify portions of 765kV plan that benefit region, based on economics and reliability
- Develop 'Postage Stamp' Cost Allocation for Regional 765kV plan
- Build-out 765kV regionally to deliver benefits to SPP region

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# 765kV EHV on a Super-Regional/National basis

- Identify portions of 765kV plan that benefit multiple regions; economics and reliability
- Develop 'Postage Stamp' Cost Allocation for Super-Regional 765kV plan
  - Seams Agreements with neighbors of SPP, Entergy, ERCOT
- Extend 765kV to other regions for export
  - Seams Agreements with other RTOs, Western Interconnect, etc

# Pressing Issues

- Cost Allocation – How to assign costs of Transmission build out
  - Local, Regional, Super-Regional, National
- Wind Integration – How to operate huge amounts of wind
- Reliability – Expand definition of Reliability to more closely resemble Operating conditions, ie, multiple elements out of service simultaneously. Will require additional upgrades for Reliability

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