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BECI Transmission Line Developer Extends Public Engagement Schedule

Timeline Revised for Open Houses and Filing of CPCN Application

MADISON, WIS. – Midcontinent Grid Solutions (MGS) announced today that it is extending the public engagement schedule for the BECI Project before the company files its application with state regulators. MGS's new schedule includes open houses in the first quarter of 2027 and filing for its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) no sooner than May 1, 2027. MGS will notify stakeholders of the open house dates after the first of the year.

"We appreciate everyone who has participated in this process and shared feedback," said Ryan Houk, president of Midcontinent Grid Solutions. "We've heard from landowners, local officials and community members who want more time to review project information, ask questions and provide input. We're listening. By extending the engagement schedule and rescheduling our open houses from the fall to early next year, we're creating more opportunities for meaningful participation before the next step in the regulatory process."

The public engagement process for the BECI Project began in August. Public input remains an important part of the process after MGS files its CPCN application, as the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin's review also includes opportunities for public participation.

The Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO), the regional grid operator that manages the flow of wholesale electricity across 15 states, including Wisconsin, determined that the 190-mile, 765-kilovolt transmission line is needed to prevent electrical overloads that could occur as soon as 2034 and to strengthen Wisconsin's power grid. The project also enhances the ability of the region's retail utilities to deliver electricity generated from diverse energy resources across the Upper Midwest to homes, businesses and communities throughout the state as some of the state's oldest power plants are anticipated to be retired.

No final route has been selected for the BECI Project. To learn more about the project and provide feedback, please visit mgs-projects.com/BECI, call 608-895-0798 or email Connect@MGSWisconsin.com.

About Midcontinent Grid Solutions
Midcontinent Grid Solutions pulls together the expertise and experience of Transource Energy – a joint venture of American Electric Power and Evergy – and BHE Transmission. With more than 100 years of experience, these companies operate more than 84,000 miles of transmission lines across the country, delivering the infrastructure that keeps power flowing safely and reliably to customers.

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