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**Sharyland Utilities Announcing Upcoming Scheduled Outages in West Texas;
Necessary to Migrate Sharyland's West Texas System from SPP to ERCOT**

(MIDLAND, TEXAS) Sharyland Utilities wishes to notify all of the customers and communities we serve in our Colorado City and Stanton service territories of upcoming scheduled outages. Sharyland customers located near the following communities will experience a short outage lasting approximately two (2) hours during the dates and timeframes listed below:

Friday, December 13

- Morning – Colorado City, Hermleigh, Ira, Loraine, Roscoe
- Afternoon – Big Spring, Coahoma, Elbow, Forsan, Garden City, Sand Springs

Tuesday, December 17

- Morning – Midkiff

Friday, December 20

- Morning – Midkiff (west of Rankin highway), south Midland
- Afternoon – Fairview, Gail

Saturday, December 21

- Morning – Ackerly, Brown, Grady, Greenwood, Knott, Koch, Lenorah, Stanton, Tarzan, Vealmoor
- Afternoon – Gardendale, north Midland

“Sharyland has agreed to migrate our West Texas system from SPP to ERCOT by January 1, 2014, as part of an approved settlement in a proceeding approved by the Public Utility Commission of Texas,” said Mark Caskey, President of Sharyland Utilities. “Unfortunately, these scheduled outages are necessary to physically disconnect our West Texas system from one grid and reconnect it to the other.”

To minimize the disruption to customers, Sharyland has spent the past several months preparing for the move and has scheduled this transition to occur in stages, moving one substation over at a time. This will help ensure that not all customers will be affected at the same time, and that the localized outages should only last a few hours each. Sharyland will also notify customers by phone in advance of the scheduled outage in their specific area.

“We are reaching out to our customers in order to give them time to plan accordingly, and we regret any inconvenience these brief outages may cause, especially considering they will be happening so soon after the entire region experienced the widespread outages from the recent ice storms,” said Caskey.

Background

Currently, most of Sharyland's system in West Texas is connected to the Southwest Power Pool (SPP), an interstate power grid that covers portions of the Texas Panhandle and South Plains, as well as other states surrounding Texas. When Sharyland merged with Cap Rock Energy in 2010, the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) directed Sharyland to study the possibility of disconnecting its West Texas system from SPP and connecting it to the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT), which is located wholly within Texas and serves approximately 85% of the state's electric load.

Sharyland filed its study in January 2011 under PUCT Docket No. 39070 and provided written notice of this filing to all of potentially-affected customers. As part of the settlement agreement in this proceeding which was approved by the PUCT in July 2011, Sharyland agreed to transition its West Texas system from SPP to ERCOT by January 1, 2014.

Customers who would like additional information are welcome to contact our Customer Service Department at 800-442-8688.

About Sharyland Utilities

Sharyland Utilities, L.P. is a Texas-based public electric utility that is fully regulated by the Public Utility Commission of Texas. We are committed to providing quality customer service, affordable rates, safe and reliable electric delivery, and increased investment in the electric grid of Texas. We currently serve approximately 50,000 customers in 29 counties throughout Texas. Sharyland Utilities is privately-owned by Hunter L. Hunt and other members of the family of Ray L. Hunt, and is managed by Hunter L. Hunt. For more information, please visit www.sharyland.com.