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Ms. Switzer regularly advises clients on matters pertaining to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and the Federal Power Act, formula rate proceedings, market-based rate filings, filings to purchase or sell generation and transmission assets, and Regional Transmission Organizations/Independent System Operators matters. She guides clients through disputes related to the generator interconnection processes of both public and non-public utilities. Ms. Switzer has represented generators, transmission developers, and public power entities in a variety of contested and uncontested proceedings before FERC.

Ms. Switzer began her career in the Office of General Counsel – Energy Markets with FERC, where she worked on competitive transmission issues and FERC market-based rate issues. After moving to Texas, Ms. Switzer represented the public interest as an attorney with the Public Utility Commission of Texas. There she litigated electric and water rate cases and applications for certificates of convenience and necessity including cost-of-service ratemaking for utilities located outside of ERCOT and ensuring that Texas ratepayers would not bear any costs associated with a new merchant transmission line.

## REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Assists transmission developers in preparing cost-of-service formula rate filings and representing clients in annual formula rate update proceedings.
- Routinely advises clients on generator interconnection-related issues, including FERC's latest revisions to the generator interconnection process in Order No. 2023, questions related to material modifications, and interconnection issues within a federal monument area.
- Frequently advises clients on transmission planning issues, such as planning for aging infrastructure and applicability of competitive transmission rules, in stakeholder meetings and in contested proceedings before FERC.
- Advises trade association representing renewable natural gas on FERC gas quality issues.
- Represented clients in Section 203 proceedings related to the sale or transfer of generation and transmission assets.
- Prepared market-based rate filing, well-versed in all aspects of FERC's market-based rate program and required rate filings.
- Advocated for client in reactive power compensation rate proceeding.
- Drafted comments on various transmission-planning-related rulemakings before FERC, including transmission planning and incentives rulemakings.
- Advised client throughout FERC settlement proceeding related to natural gas general rate proceeding.

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- Assisted client in filing complaints disputing cost allocation methodologies for regionally beneficial transmission projects.
- Represented public power client in stakeholder meetings and negotiations in resolving a utility's ancillary services rate update.
- Represented clients in appeals to the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, drafted portions of the brief, and prepared parties presenting oral argument.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

- District of Columbia Bar Association
- Texas Bar Association
- Energy Bar Association

## EDUCATION:

- Vermont Law School, Doctor of Law (J.D.), *cum laude*, 2005 – 2008
- Austin College. Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), History, *cum laude*, 2000-2004