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Mr. Brett Mattison
President and COO
Southwestern Electric Power Company
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Dear Mr. Mattison:

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Energy on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, to testify at the hearing entitled “Winter Storm Fern Lessons: Supplying Reliable Power to Meet Peak Demand.”

Pursuant to the Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the hearing record remains open for ten business days to permit Members to submit additional questions for the record, which are attached. The format of your responses to these questions should be as follows: (1) the name of the Member whose question you are addressing, (2) the complete text of the question you are addressing in bold, and (3) your answer to that question in plain text.

To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, please respond to these questions with a transmittal letter by the close of business on Tuesday, June 9, 2026. Your responses should be mailed to Seth Ricketts Legislative Clerk, Committee on Energy and Commerce, 2125 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515 and e-mailed to Seth.Ricketts@mail.house.gov.

Thank you again for your time and effort preparing and delivering testimony before the Subcommittee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert E. Latta". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R" and a stylized "Latta".

Robert E. Latta
Chairman
Subcommittee on Energy

cc: Kathy Castor, Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Energy

Attachment

Additional Questions for the Record

The Honorable Bob Latta (R-OH)

The Southwestern Electric Power Company's (SWEPCO) service territory is experiencing rapid growth in electricity demand. Firm generation from coal and natural gas are critical tools to fuel increases in projected demand, as well as keeping the lights on through weather events like Winter Storm Fern. What does it mean for your utility to have dispatchable resources that can be called upon to meet peak demand, compared to your wind resources whose fuel and output is not controllable or dispatchable?

- a. What does coal mean for affordability in electric generation?