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# THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

Before Commissioners:

Thomas E. Wright, Chairman

Michael C. Moffet Joseph F. Harkins Susan Taliffy Docket Room

In the Matter of the Petition of Westar	)
Energy, Inc. and Kansas Gas and Electric	)
Company (collectively "Westar") for	)
Determination of the Ratemaking Principles	) Docket No. 08-WSEE-309-PRE
and Treatment that Will Apply to the	)
Recovery in Rates of the Cost to be Incurred	)
by Westar for Certain Electric Generation	)
Facilities and Power Purchase Agreements	)
under K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 66-1239.	)

## **PETITION TO INTERVENE**

COMES NOW, the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board ("CURB") and moves the Corporation Commission of the State of the Kansas ("Commission") for an order permitting it to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of its petition, CURB states and alleges as follows:

- 1. CURB is composed of five volunteer consumer advocate members and is statutorily authorized to represent the interests of Kansas residential and small commercial ratepayers in utility proceedings.
- 2. CURB's Consumer Counsel has been given the discretion to intervene and represent the interests of Kansas residential and small commercial ratepayers in any utility proceeding before the Commission under K.S.A. 66-1223 et seq.
- 3. On October 1, 2007, Westar Energy, Inc. and Kansas Gas and Electric Company (collectively "Westar") filed a petition with the Kansas Corporation Commission for determination of the ratemaking principles and treatment that will apply to the recovery in rates

of the cost to be incurred by Westar for certain electric generation facilities and power purchase agreements under K.S.A. 2003 Supp. 66-1239.

4. CURB is requesting permission to intervene in this docket to represent the interests of the residential and small commercial ratepayers of Kansas. The rates paid and the service received by those customers will or may be affected by any Commission order or activity in this proceeding.

5. The representation of CURB's interests in this proceeding by existing parties is or may be inadequate.

6. The residential and small commercial ratepayers whose interests CURB represents will or may be bound by any Commission order or activity in this proceeding and will or may be adversely affected thereby.

WHEREFORE, CURB RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THE Commission grant its Petition for Intervention in this Docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF KANSAS	)
COUNTY OF SHAWNEE	) ss: )
I, David Springe, of lawful age	e, being first duly sworn upon his oath states:
•	bove named petitioner; that he has read the above and rmation and belief, states that the matters therein appearing
	David Springe
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN	to before me this 2nd day of October, 2007.
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My Commission expires: <u>8-03-2009</u> .	SHONDAD. TITSWORTH Notary Public - State of Kansas My Appt. Expires August 3, 2009

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

## 08-WSEE-309-PRE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was placed in the United States mail, postage prepaid, or hand-delivered this 2nd day of October, 2007, to the following:

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