

**THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

Before Commissioners: Jay Scott Emler, Chairman
Shari Feist Albrecht
Pat Apple

In the Matter of the Annual Filing of)
Southern Pioneer Electric Company for)
Approval to Make Certain Changes to its)
Charges for Electric Services, Pursuant to the) Docket No. 16-SPEE-501-TAR
34.5 kV Formula Based Rate Plan Approved)
in Docket No. 16-MKEE-023-TAR.)

PROCEDURAL ORDER

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having reviewed the pleadings and record, the Commission makes the following findings:

1. On May 4, 2016, Southern Pioneer Electric Company (So. Pioneer) filed its annual update to its wholesale demand rate for Local Access Delivery Service in accordance with the Commission approved settlement in *Joint Application of Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC et al. for Approval of Individual 34.5kV Formula Based Rates*, Docket No. 16-MKEE-023-TAR (Mar. 10, 2016) [*hereinafter* 16-023 Docket].

2. Pursuant to the Commission's Order in the 16-023 Docket, the Commission orders that the following procedural schedule shall govern the proceeding:

DATE/TIME/PLACE	ACTION
On or before July 5, 2016. 5:00 p.m.	Staff Report and Recommendation or Staff and Intervenor Testimony Due.
On or before July 19, 2016. 5:00 p.m.	So. Pioneer Rebuttal Testimony Due.

DATE/TIME/PLACE	ACTION
On or before August 4, 2016.	Commission Order on Approval or Notice of Evidentiary Hearing.
August 18, 2016. 9:00 a.m. Kansas Corporation Commission, First Fl. Hearing Rm. 1500 SW Arrowhead Rd. Topeka, KS 66604.	Evidentiary Hearing.
On or before Sept 5, 2016.	Commission Final Order.

3. Pursuant to the above mentioned Commission Order, the Commission has the authority to require an evidentiary hearing on the matter of setting just and reasonable rates concerning So. Pioneer's 34.5kv Formula Based Rate Plan. The Commission will preside. Any party who fails to attend or participate in the hearing (if necessary) or any other stage of the proceedings may be held in default.¹

4. The Commission notes and accepts So. Pioneer's waiver of the 90 day deadline for approval sans hearing in the event So. Pioneer's companion docket *Annual Filing of Southern Pioneer Electric Company for Approval to Make Certain Changes to its Charges for Electric Services, Pursuant to the Debt Service Coverage Formula Based Ratemaking Plan Approved in Docket No. 13-MKEE-452-MIS*, Docket No. 16-SPEE-497-RTS (May 2, 2016) necessitates a hearing.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- A. The above procedural schedule is hereby adopted.
- B. The parties have 15 days from the date this Order was electronically served to petition for reconsideration.²

¹ K.S.A. 77-516(c); K.S.A. 77-520.

² K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it deems necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Emler, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner

Dated: MAY 10 2016



Amy L. Green
Secretary to the Commission

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EMAILED

MAY 10 2016

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that the true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following parties by means of

Electronic Service on **MAY 10 2016**.

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