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Kansas Corporation Commission 1500 SW Arrowhead Road Topeka, Kansas 66604

Re: In the Matter of the General Investigation to Examine Issues Surrounding Rate Design

for Distributed Generation Customers, Docket No. 16-GIME-403-GIE

Kansas Corporation Commission:

On March 11, 2016, Commission Staff filed its Motion to Open Docket and an attached Report and Recommendation in the above-referenced docket. On March 25, 2016, Westar Energy, Inc. (Westar) filed its Petition to Intervene and Response to Staff's Motion to Open Docket. On April 6, 2016, Cromwell Environmental, Inc. (Cromwell) filed its Petition to Intervene and Reply to Westar's Petition to Intervene and Response. On April 11, 2016, The Alliance for Solar Choice (TASC) filed its Petition to Intervene and Response to Staff's Motion to Open Docket.

Westar is submitting this letter to notify the Commission that it does not intend to respond to the pleadings filed by Cromwell and TASC. Although Westar disagrees with a number of the assertions made in those pleadings, Westar does not want to delay the Commission's order opening this docket by engaging in a series of responsive pleadings at this stage in the docket.

Sincerely,

Cathryn Lingso

cc: All parties