

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

Before Commissioners: Andrew J. French, Chairperson
 Dwight D. Keen
 Annie Kuether

In the Matter of the Application of Western)
Cooperative Electric Association, Inc. Seeking)
Commission Approval to Update its Local) Docket No. 25-WSTE-389-TAR
Access Delivery Service Tariff Pursuant to the)
34.kV Formula Based Rate Plan Approved in)
Docket No. 21-SEPE-049-TAR.)

SUSPENSION ORDER: SEPTEMBER 29, 2025

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (“Commission”) for consideration and decision. Having examined its files and records, the Commission finds and concludes:

I. Background

1. On April 30, 2025, Western Cooperative Electric Association, Inc. (“Western”), filed with the Commission an Application requesting approval to update its Local Access Delivery Service Tariff pursuant to the 34.5kV Formula Based Rate Plan Approved in Docket No. 21-SEPE-049-TAR.¹

II. Suspension Order

2. K.S.A. 66-117(c) states in part:

The commission shall not delay the effective date of the proposed change in rate, joint rate, toll, charge or classification or schedule of charges, or in any rule or regulation or practice pertaining to the service or rates of any such public utility or common carrier, more than 240 days beyond the date the public utility or common carrier filed its application requesting the proposed change. If the commission does not suspend the proposed schedule within 30 days of the date the same is filed by the public utility or common carrier, such proposed

¹ Application of Western Cooperative Electric Association, Inc. (Apr. 30, 2025) (“Application”).

schedule shall be deemed approved by the commission and shall take effect on the proposed effective date.

3. A full investigation of the Application is deemed necessary and proper. Absent suspension, the Commission and its Staff are without sufficient time to fully review, consider, and analyze whether approval of the Application is just and reasonable.

4. The Commission finds and concludes that suspension of the effectiveness of the Application and deferral of its effective date are required to allow sufficient time for full investigation of this matter. The effectiveness of the Application is hereby suspended for a period of 150 days from the date it was filed, April 30, 2025, until Monday, September 29, 2025, pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c)² and pursuant to the terms set forth in the Commission-approved 34.5kV Formula Based Rate Protocols, Section B.³ A Commission decision may be issued before such date.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. Pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c), the Application in the above-captioned docket shall be suspended, and the effective date deferred, until September 29, 2025, pending other action by the Commission.

B. Electronic service shall be utilized for serving pleadings/motions and orders.

C. Any party may file and serve a petition for reconsideration pursuant to the requirements and time limits established by K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).⁴

² The 150-day time period ends Saturday, September 27, 2025. Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-503(c), the deadline is extended until the end of the next day which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or a legal holiday, which is Monday, September 29, 2025.

³ See Order on Unanimous Settlement Agreement, Docket No. 21-SEPE-049-TAR, Attachment A3 Section B (Apr. 15, 2021).

⁴ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated: 05/08/2025



Celeste Chaney-Tucker
Executive Director

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following by means of electronic service on 05/08/2025.

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