


THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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Before Commissioners: Thomas E. Wright, Chairman
Michael C. Moffet
Joseph F. Harkins

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In the Matter of Westar Energy, Inc. and)
Kansas Gas and Electric Company (KEG)) Docket No. 09-WSEE-737-TAR
d/b/a Westar Energy Seeking Commission)
Approval to Revise its Environmental Cost)
Recovery (ECRR) Tariff.)

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 March 17, 2009, Westar Energy, Inc. and Kansas Gas and Electric Company (KEG) d/b/a/ Westar Energy filed an application with the Kansas Corporation Commission for the purpose of Seeking Commission Approval to Revise its Environmental Cost Recovery (ECRR) Tariff.

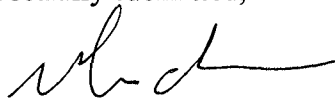
4. CURB is requesting permission to intervene in this docket to represent the interests of the residential and small commercial ratepayers of Kansas. The rates paid and the service received by those customers will or may be affected by any Commission order or activity in this proceeding.

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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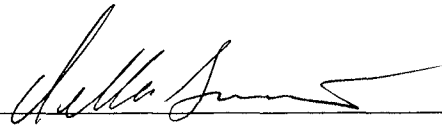
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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was placed in the United States mail, postage prepaid, e-mailed, or hand-delivered this 24th day of March, 2009, to the following:

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