# THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:	Andrew J. French, C Dwight D. Keen Annie Kuether	Chairperson
In the Matter of the Application Electric Cooperative, Inc. Seeki Approval to Update Its Local	ing Commission )	Docket No. 24-PLCE-684-TAR

SUSPENSION ORDER: OCTOBER 28, 2024

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (the "Commission") for consideration and decision. Having reviewed its files and records, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following findings:

#### I. Background

1. On April 30, 2024, Prairie Land Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Prairie Land") filed an Application seeking Commission 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.<sup>1</sup>

#### **II. Suspension Order**

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

Service Tariff Pursuant to the 34.5kV Formula ) Based Rate Plan Approved in Docket No. 21-SEPE- )

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Prairie Land Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s Application (Apr. 30, 2024).

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 will result in just and reasonable rates.

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 180 days from the date it was filed, April 30, 2024, until Monday, October 28, 2024, pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c).<sup>2</sup> 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 October 28, 2024.

- 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).<sup>3</sup>

#### BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated:	05/07/2024	
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The 180-day time period ends Sunday, October 27, 2024. 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, October 28, 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the a	ttached Order has been served to the following by means of
electronic service on05/07/2024	_·
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