

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

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

In the Matter of the Application of The)
Empire District Electric Company for)
Approval of its Annual Energy Cost) Docket No. 15-EPDE-228-ACA
Adjustment ("ACA") Filing)

ORDER GRANTING CURB'S PETITION TO INTERVENE

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 December 3, 2014, the Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") filed an Application with the Kansas Corporation Commission requesting approval of its Annual energy Cost Adjustment filing.¹

2. On December 4, 2014, the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB) filed its Petition to Intervene, citing its statutory authority to represent residential and small commercial ratepayers.² CURB explains the rates paid by and the services received by residential and small commercial ratepayers under Empire's proposed change in its Annual Energy Cost Adjustment may be substantially affected by any Commission Order or activity in this proceeding.³

3. The Commission finds CURB has demonstrated an interest in this proceeding. Therefore, pursuant to K.S.A. 77-521, the Commission grants CURB's Petition for Intervention.

¹ Application for the Empire District Electric Company, p. 4 (Dec. 3, 2014) (Application).

² Petition to Intervene, ¶¶ 3-4 (Dec. 4, 2014).

³ *Id.* at ¶ 5.

4. CURB will be added to the official service list. Service of pleadings, communications, and correspondence should be delivered to counsel of record and CURB's other designees, as follows:

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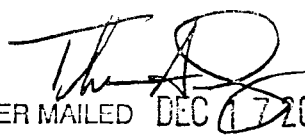
IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

- A. CURB's Petition to Intervene is granted pursuant to K.S.A. 77-521.
- B. The parties have 15 days, plus three days if service of this Order is by mail, to petition the Commission for reconsideration.⁴
- 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.

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner

Dated: DEC 16 2014


ORDER MAILED DEC 17 2014
Thomas A. Day
Acting Executive Director

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⁴ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

PLEASE FORWARD THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT (S) ISSUED IN THE ABOVE-REFERENCED DOCKET TO THE FOLLOWING:

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The Docket Room hereby certified that on this _____ day of _____, 20_____, it caused a true and correct copy of the attached ORDER to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the above persons.