

THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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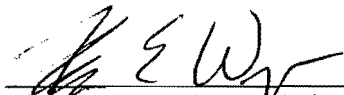
Before Commissioners: Thomas E. Wright, Chairman  
Ward Loyd

In the Matter of the Application of Westar )  
Energy, Inc. for Approval of an Accounting )  
Authority Order to record and defer costs ) Docket No. 11-WSEE-610-ACT  
related to Westar Energy's SmartStar Lawrence )  
Project. )


The above-captioned matter came for consideration before the Commission. Having examined its files and records and being duly advised in the premises, it is the decision of this Commission to issue a suspension order in the above captioned docket.

For the Commission:

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Executive Director

  
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Thomas E. Wright, Chairman

Approved:   
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Matthew A. Spurgin

  
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Ward Loyd, Commissioner

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**SUSPENSION ORDER**

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, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following findings:

1.        On March 2, 2011, Westar Energy, Inc. filed an application with the Commission for approval of an Accounting Authority Order to record and defer costs related to its SmartStar project.

2.        A full investigation of the Application, which may result in a hearing, is deemed necessary and proper. Staff is without sufficient time to fully review, consider, and analyze whether the proposed programs are just and reasonable.

3.        The Commission finds and concludes that suspension of Westar's Application and deferral of its effective date are required to allow sufficient time for full investigation of this matter. The Application should be suspended for a period of 240 days from the date the Application was made, October 28, 2011.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

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, 2011.

B. The parties have fifteen days, plus three days if service of this Order is by mail, from the date of service of this Order in which to request rehearing on any matter decided herein. K.S.A. 66-118b, K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 77-529(a)(1).

C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the purpose of entering such further order, or orders, as it may deem necessary.

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

Wright, Chmn.; Loyd, Com.

Dated:     MAR 31 2011    

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*Susan K. Duffy* EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR

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