BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Application of Southern)	
Pioneer Electric Company for Approval to)	
Make Certain Changes in its Irrigation)	Docket No. 17-SPEE-129-TAR
Service Schedule in the Geographic Service)	
Territory Served by Southern Pioneer)	
Electric Company.)	

SOUTHERN PIONEER ELECTRIC COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF FILING OF STAFF'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW Southern Pioneer Electric Company ("Southern Pioneer") and hereby submits its response to the *Notice of Filing of Staff's Report and Recommendation* ("Report and Recommendation") filed by the Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas' ("Staff" and "Commission," respectively) in the above-captioned docket on December 8, 2016 (Southern Pioneer and Staff hereinafter collectively referred to as "Parties").

Background

- 1. Southern Pioneer acknowledges the accuracy of the background information contained in Staff's Report and Recommendation.
- 2. Southern Pioneer affirms Staff's assertion that through discovery and several conversations between Staff and Southern Pioneer representatives, the Parties mutually crafted revisions to Southern Pioneer's Irrigation Service Tariff and Southern Pioneer's General Rules & Regulations, specifically the Index and Schedule R&R Extensions (line extension policy).

Southern Pioneer's Response to Staff's Report and Recommendation

3. Southern Pioneer supports, and finds acceptable, Staff's proposed revisions to Southern Pioneer's General Rules & Regulations, Schedule R&R Extensions (line extension policy).

4. Southern Pioneer supports, and finds acceptable, Staff's proposed revisions to Southern Pioneer's General Rules & Regulations, Schedule R&R Index.

5. Southern Pioneer supports, and finds acceptable, Staff's proposed revisions to Southern Pioneer's Irrigation Service Tariff.

WHEREFORE, Southern Pioneer respectfully requests that the Commission adopt Staff's Report and Recommendation, recommending approval of the proposed revised versions of Southern Pioneer's Irrigation Service Tariff (provided in Exhibit 1.1), Schedule R&R Extensions (provided in Exhibit 2.1), and Schedule R&R Index (provided in Exhibit 3.1), which revisions were mutually developed and agreed to by Staff and Southern Pioneer.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS COUNTY OF GRANT))	SS:	
Lindsay A. Shepard, of lawful age, being first duly sworn on oath states: That she is counsel for Southern Pioneer Electric Company; that she has read the foregoing Response and knows the contents thereof; and that the facts therein are true and correct to the best of her knowledge, information, and belief.			
SUBSCRIBED AN	D SWOR	RN to before me this S, day of December, 2016. Notary Public	

My Commission expires: 4-28-2020

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that on the 15th day of December, 2016, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Response was electronically served to the following parties:

Lindsay A. Shepard

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