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 Informational Filing of)	
Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC to)	
Provide Notification of a Network Integration)	Docket No. 15-MKEE-028-CON
Transmission Service Agreement and Network)	
Operating Agreement.)	

SUSPENSION ORDER

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having examined the files, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. On July 22, 2014, Mid-Kansas Electric Company, LLC (Mid-Kansas) furnished the Commission with its Network Integration Transmission Service Agreement (NITSA) and Network Operating Agreement (NOA) with certain attachments pertaining to jurisdictional services entered into by Mid-Kansas and Kansas Municipal Energy Agency (KMEA). In its filing, Mid-Kansas noted the NITSA and NOA are identical to the pro forma NITSA and NOA approved in Commission Docket 12-MKEE-650-TAR, and therefore do not need to be approved by the Commission.

¹ Informational Filing (July 22, 2014).

- 2. In its filing, Mid-Kansas further noted that its bundled wholesale rates are no longer regulated by the Commission; however its charges, fees or tariffs for transmission services to others remain subject to Commission regulation pursuant to K.S.A. 66-104d(f).²
- 3. The Commission finds it has jurisdiction pursuant to K.S.A. 66-101c and 66-117. A public utility over which the Commission has jurisdiction shall not make effective any rule, regulation, or practice pertaining to the service of a public utility except by filing with the Commission.³ Further, the Commission may suspend the effective date while it conducts its investigation of the utility's proposal.⁴
- The Commission therefore finds that the NITSA and NOA furnished by Mid-4. Kansas must be approved by the Commission prior to becoming effective and that Mid-Kansas' Informational Filing should be construed as an application requesting Commission approval.
- 5. Commission Staff (Staff) has determined that it needs more than 30 days to fully review Mid-Kansas' application and suspension is required to allow sufficient time for Staff's review and investigation of this matter. Although Staff reserves the full 240 days, Staff recognizes the need for efficient use of Commission resources and time, and will thus strive to complete its Report and Recommendation by November 19, 2014.
- 6. The Commission finds and concludes that suspension of the Mid-Kansas' 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, July 22, 2014, until Thursday, March 19, 2015, pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c).

² Informational Filing, ¶2. ³ K.S.A. 66-117(a).

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

- (A) The Commission issues a Suspension Order as provided herein.
- (B) The parties have fifteen (15) days, plus three (3) days if service of this order is by mail, from the date this order was served in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration of any issue or issues decided herein.⁵
- (C) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it may deem necessary and proper.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Com.; Apple, Com.;

Dated: _____ AUG 2 1 2014

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Thomas A. Day

Acting Executive Director

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⁵ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 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.