

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

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

In the Matter of Westar Energy, Inc. and)
Kansas Gas and Electric Company Seeking)
Commission Approval for Tariff Revisions to)
the 2015 Energy Efficiency Rider.) Docket No. 16-WSEE-021-TAR

SUSPENSION ORDER

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

1. On July 15, 2015, Westar Energy, Inc., and Kansas Gas and Electric Company (together, Westar) filed its Application seeking Commission approval of its Energy Efficiency Rider.
2. A full investigation of the Application, which may result in a hearing, is deemed necessary and proper. Absent suspension of the Application's effectiveness, Commission Staff is without sufficient time to fully review, consider, and analyze the Application.
3. The Commission finds and concludes that suspension of the effectiveness of the Application and deferral of its effective date is required to allow sufficient time for full investigation of this matter. The statutory 240-day suspension period ends Friday, March 11, 2016. A final order may be issued before such date.

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 March 11, 2016.

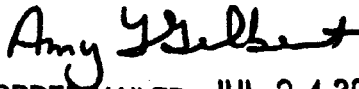
B. Parties have 15 days, plus three days if service is by mail, from the date of service of this Order in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration.¹

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

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner

Dated: **JUL 23 2015**


ORDER MAILED JUL 24 2015
Amy L. Gilbert
Secretary to the Commission

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¹ 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.