THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of Westar Energy Seeking)
Commission Approval to Implement) Docket No. 15-WSEE-366-TAR
Changes in their 2015 Transmission)
Delivery Charge.)

CURB's Response to Staff Motion of March 12, 2015

The Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB) files its response below to the *Staff's Motion* for Approval of Westar's Application to Update its TDC Tariff Subject to Refund of the Staff of the Kansas Corporation Commission (Staff), which was filed in the above-captioned docket on March 12, 2015:

- 1. Upon review of the Application of Westar Energy, Inc. for approval to update its Transmission Delivery Charge (TDC) on a subject-to-refund basis, the Commission Staff recommends that the Commission grant Westar's Application on a subject-to-refund basis. Staff noted that K.S.A. 66-1237 permits Westar to apply to the Commission to recover costs associated with transmission of electric power, and permits the Commission to approve TDC rates on a subject-to-refund basis. Staff states that it has conducted a cursory review of the Application, and that on or before June 30, 2015, Staff plans to complete its audit of the Application and update its findings, or will file a status report explaining the delay and will provide a future date for the filing of its report and recommendation on the Application.
- 2. CURB has reviewed Westar's Application and Staff's Motion, and concurs with Staff's proposal to complete the review of Westar's Application at a later date. CURB also concurs with Staff's recommendation that the Commission approve Westar's request to implement its updated TDC rates on a subject-to-refund basis, effective on April 2, 2115.

3. CURB therefore recommends that the Commission approve Staff's Motion and approve Westar's proposed TDC rates on a subject-to-refund basis, pending further review and final approval of the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS)
COUNTY OF SHAWNEE) ss:)
attorney for the Citizens' Utility Ratep	ge and being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am are ayer Board; that I have read and am familiar with the above the statements therein are true and correct to the best of my

Niki Christopher

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 18th day of March, 2015.

Notary Public

A DELLA J. SMITH

Notary Public - State of Kansas
My Appt. Expires January 26, 2017

My Commission expires: <u>01-26-2017</u>.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was served by electronic service on this 18th day of March, 2015, to the following:

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