

**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 Application of Southern)
Pioneer Electric Company for Approval to) Docket No. 15-SPEE-161-RTS
Make Certain Changes in its Charges for)
Electric Service.)

**ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION TO KANSAS ELECTRIC POWER
COOPERATIVE, INC.**

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having examined the files, the Commission finds:

1. On October 8, 2014, Southern Pioneer Electric Company (Southern Pioneer) filed its Application seeking recovery of costs associated with its 34.5 kV sub-transmission system. Also on October 8, 2014, Southern Pioneer, Commission Staff (Staff), and the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB) (collectively the parties) filed a motion for waiver of the Commission's filing requirements as set forth in K.A.R. 82-1-231.

2. On October 15, 2014, Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (KEPCo) filed a Petition to Intervene.¹ In its Petition, KEPCo explains it delivers electric service to two of its members through nine delivery points on the 34.5 kV system owned and operated by Southern Pioneer, and thus will be directly affected by any change in the local access charge for transmission services provided to KEPCo by Southern Pioneer. As a result, KEPCo and its members may be affected by any Commission order or activity in this proceeding.²

¹ Petition of Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. to Intervene, Oct. 15, 2014.

² *Id.*, ¶¶ 4-5.

3. The Commission has broad discretion to grant a petition for intervention if it is in the interest of justice, if the intervention will not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings, and if the party has stated facts demonstrating its legal rights, duties and privileges, immunities or other legal interests may be substantially affected by the proceeding.³ Furthermore, at any time during a proceeding, the Commission may impose limitations on an intervenor's participation.⁴

4. The Commission finds and concludes KEPCo has demonstrated a legal interest in this proceeding as it delivers electric service to two of its members on the 34.5 kV system owned and operated by Southern Pioneer. Therefore, pursuant to K.S.A. 77-521, the Commission grants the Petition to Intervene.

5. KEPCo will be added to the official service list. Service of pleadings, electronic notices, communications, and correspondence should be delivered to counsel of record and KEPCo's other designees, as follows:

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THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. KEPCo's Petition to Intervene is granted pursuant to K.S.A. 77-521.

³ K.S.A. 77-521; K.A.R. 82-1-225.

⁴ K.S.A. 77-521(c).

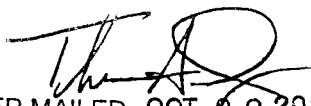
B. The parties have 15 days from the date of electronic service of this Order to petition for reconsideration.⁵

C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it deems necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner

Dated: OCT 30 2014


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Thomas A. Day
Acting Executive Director

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⁵ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Order Granting Intervention to Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. was served by electronic mail this 30th day of October, 2014, to the following parties who have waived receipt of follow-up hard copies:

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