

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

In the Matter of a General Investigation to)
Evaluate Allowing Electric and Gas Utilities)
the Authority to Accept Irrevocable Letters) Docket No. 19-GIMX-256-GIV
of Credit in Lieu of Cash Deposits for)
System Expansion Related to Residential)
Development.)

JOINT MOTION FOR PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Atmos Energy Corporation (Atmos), Black Hills/Kansas Gas Utility Company, LLC, d/b/a Black Hills Energy (Black Hills Energy), the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB), Kansas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc. (Kansas Gas Service), Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCP&L) and Westar Energy, Inc. and Kansas Gas and Electric Company (referred to together herein as Westar), the Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Staff and Commissioner, respectively), and the Wichita Area Builders Association, Inc. (WABA) (all parties collectively referred to as Joint Movants) hereby move the Commission for an order establishing a procedural schedule in this matter. In support of thereof, Joint Movants state the following:

1. On January 8, 2019, the Commission issued its *Order Opening General Investigation* (Order) “to evaluate allowing electric and gas utilities the authority to accept ILOCs [irrevocable letters of credit] in lieu of cash deposits for system expansion related to residential developments.”¹ The Order was in response to a Staff Report and Recommendation (Report) filed in Docket No. 18-WSEE-163-TAR (18-163 Docket), wherein Staff recommended

¹ Order, ¶ 9.

the Commission initiate this general investigation and direct Kansas electric and gas utilities to respond to a series of twenty-one questions relating to ILOCs. As part of its Order, the Commission made all Kansas gas and electric public utilities a party to the proceeding, set the deadline for entries of appearance as January 30, 2019, and restated the questions posited by Staff to be addressed as part of this investigation.²

2. Joint Movants include all interested parties who filed entries of appearance on or before the January 30, 2019 deadline.

3. Joint Movants worked collaboratively to develop the following proposed procedural schedule to govern this proceeding.

Order Date	January 8, 2019
Deadline for Entries of Appearance	January 30, 2019
Initial Comments of non-Staff Parties	(Fri) April 12, 2019
Reply Comments of non-Staff Parties	(Tues) May 7, 2019
Staff Report & Recommendation	(Tues) June 11, 2019
Response to Staff R&R	(Tues) July 2, 2019
Settlement Conference	(Fri) July 12, 2019
Settlement Agreement & Supporting Testimony Due	(Fri) July 19, 2019
Prehearing Conference	(Wed) July 31, 2019
Evidentiary Hearing	(Mon-Tues) August 19-20, 2019
Initial Post-Hearing Briefs	(Tues) September 17, 2019
Reply Briefs	(Tues) October 1, 2019
Order Due Date	(Thurs) Oct 31, 2019

² Order, ¶¶ 10, 8.

WHEREFORE, Joint Movants respectfully request the Commission issue an order granting this motion and approving the procedural schedule as set forth above.

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