

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

Before Commissioners: Andrew J. French, Chair
 Dwight D. Keen
 Annie Kuether

In the Matter of the Application of Western)
Cooperative Electric Association, Inc. Seeking)
Commission Approval to Update its Local) Docket No. 25-WSTE-389-TAR
Access Delivery Service Tariff Pursuant to the)
34.5kV Formula Based Rate Plan Approved in)
Docket No. 21-SEPE-049-TAR)

ORDER MODIFYING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (“Commission”) for consideration and determination. Having examined its files and records, the Commission finds and concludes:

1. On April 30, 2025, the Western Cooperative Electric Association, Inc. (“Western”) filed an Application in the above-captioned docket to update its Local Access Delivery Service (“LADS”) tariff.¹ The Application was filed in accordance with Western’s 34.5 kV Formula Based Rate (“FBR”) plan approved in Docket No. 21-SEPE-049-TAR (“21-049 Docket”).² Western proposed to decrease the LADS demand charge assessed on wholesale users of its 34.5 kV system from \$1.27 per kW to \$1.26 per kW.³

2. On July 15, 2025, the Commission issued an Order Setting a Procedural Schedule and issuing a Protective Order and Discovery Order in the above-captioned docket. This order required that by September 25, 2025, the Commission issue an order either approving Prairie

¹ Application for The Western Cooperative Electric Association, Inc., Docket No. 25-WSTE-389-TAR (Apr. 30, 2025) (“Application”).

² Application, p. 1.

³ *Id.*

Land's rate adjustments based upon the paper record or notifying the parties an evidentiary hearing will be held.⁴ If an evidentiary hearing would be held, this order set the one-day evidentiary hearing date to be Monday, September 29, 2025.⁵

3. On August 28, 2025, Commission Staff ("Staff") filed its Report and Recommendation ("R&R") in the above-captioned docket.⁶ Staff ultimately recommended that the Commission approve Western's 34.5kV-FBR revenue requirement of \$1,002,338 and its proposed monthly LAC demand rate of \$1.26 per kW-month as just and reasonable.⁷

4. All parties to this docket have been notified and did not object to the cancellation of the one-day evidentiary hearing date established by the Commission's July 15, 2025, Order Setting Procedural Schedule.⁸

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. The one-day evidentiary hearing date set in this docket of Monday, September 29, 2025, is hereby dispensed with. No evidentiary hearing will be held.

B. The Commission will issue a final order approving the rate adjustments based upon the paper record by Thursday, September 25, 2025.

C. This Order is procedural and constitutes non-final agency action.⁹

⁴ Order Setting Procedural Schedule, Protective and Discovery Order, Docket No. 25-WSTE-389-TAR, p. 3 (July 15, 2025).

⁵ *Id.*

⁶ Report and Recommendation, Utilities Division, Docket No. 25-WSTE-389-TAR (Aug. 28, 2025) ("Staff's R&R" or "R&R").

⁷ Staff's R&R, p. 2.

⁸ Communications between Counsel for Staff and Counsel for intervenors are available upon request.

⁹ K.S.A. 77-607(b)(2).

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated: 09/16/2025



Celeste Chaney-Tucker
Executive Director

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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