## **BEFORE THE KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION**

## OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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

Docket No. 24-VICE-690-TAR

#### ERRATA FILING

The Victory Electric Cooperative Association, Inc. ("Victory") hereby files this Errata Filing with the Kansas Corporation Commission ("Commission"). In support of this Errata Filing, Victory states the following:

# I. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1. On May 1, 2024 Victory filed its Application seeking approval to update its local access delivery service ("LADS") tariff pursuant to the 34.5kV formula-based rate plan ("34.5kV FBR").

2. After filing, Victory discovered an error in Exhibit 5 of the exhibits to the Application. Correction of the error results in a proposed LADS tariff rate of \$3.26, as opposed to the \$2.92 LADS tariff rate outlined in the Application, testimony, and exhibits thereto filed on May 1, 2024. The error was discussed amongst the parties to this proceeding at the July 11, 2024 Technical Conference.

# Victory - Errata Filing

3. That error is the result of oversight, and Victory now desires to correct such error and amend its original Application, testimony, and exhibits thereto by this Errata Filing.

#### II. DESCRIPTION OF ERROR

4. The error is found in Exhibit 5 to the Application. The Cash Patronage Capital of \$772,151 in 2022 is the cash distribution received from Sunflower Electric Power Corporation ("Sunflower") as a retirement or return of patronage in that year. The Cash Patronage Capital of \$1,680,644 in 2023 is made up of two items. It represents \$644,379 of cash received from Sunflower as a retirement of patronage and is comparable to the 2022 amount. It also includes a balance of \$1,036,265 due to a financial statement reclass based on auditor recommendation. This amount is donated capital that Victory has in Sunflower.

5. Victory's auditors recommended that Victory reclass such amount to a separate general ledger account. In doing so, it moved the investment balance from Line 8 of the Balance Sheet to Line 10 of the Balance Sheet. Having not had a balance in Line 10 before, that Line 10 balance was missed in picking up the end of year balance on Page 5 of Exhibit 5, labeled "Inv. In Assoc. Org. – Patr. Capital – Current yr." (line 16 of page 5 of Exhibit 5).

6. This donated capital amount is an investment in Sunflower similar to the patronage capital. The difference is that the donated capital is a direct investment in Sunflower during the operational start-up, while the patronage capital balance originates from undistributed favorable margins over the years. At any point in time, both of these balances could be returned or retired and Victory would receive the associated cash distribution to be used in the MDSC calculation as cash received from its affiliated G&T and lenders.

#### **III.** CORRECTIONS TO APPLICATION, EXHIBITS, AND TESTIMONY

7. The following corrections to the Application are necessary:

- a. Replace all references to "\$2.92" with "\$3.26."
- 8. The following corrections to the Exhibits to the Application are necessary:
  - Replace Exhibit 5 of the originally filed Exhibits to the Application with Errata Exhibit 5 attached hereto as <u>Attachment A</u>. All references to Exhibit 5 in the Application and any testimony filed in this proceeding on behalf of Victory are now hereby referencing Errata Exhibit 5.
  - b. Replace Exhibit 12 of the originally filed Exhibits to the Application with Errata Exhibit 12 attached hereto as <u>Attachment B</u>. All references to Exhibit 12 in the Application and any testimony filed in this proceeding on behalf of Victory are now hereby referencing Errata Exhibit 12.
- 9. The following corrections to the Prefiled Direct Testimony of Shane Laws are necessary:
  - a. Replace all references to "\$2.92" with "\$3.26."
- 10. The following corrections to the Prefiled Direct Testimony of Justin Craswell are necessary:
  - a. Replace the Prefiled Direct Testimony of Justin Craswell originally filed contemporaneously with the Application with the Errata Prefiled Direct Testimony of Justin Craswell attached hereto as <u>Attachment C</u>. All references to the Prefiled Direct Testimony of Justin Craswell in the Application and any testimony filed in this proceeding on behalf of Victory are now hereby referencing the Errata Prefiled Direct Testimony of Justin Craswell.
- 11. Other than the corrections referenced in Section III of this Errata Filing, no other

aspects of the Application, testimony, and exhibits thereto are affected.

WHEREFORE, Victory submits this Errata Filing to correct the error in its Application as

originally submitted in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **VERIFICATION**

Taylor P. Calcara, of lawful age, being first duly sworn on oath states:

That he is counsel for Victory; that he has read the foregoing pleading and knows the contents thereof; and that the facts therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief.

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Taylor P. Calcara

Date: July 23, 2024

# ATTACHMENT A

# ERRATA EXHIBIT 5

(Attached)

#### The Victory Electric Cooperative Association, Inc. Mid-Kansas Division 34.5kV Formula Based Rate Revenue Requirement and Rate Calculation For the Historical Test Year Ending December 31, 2023

(a)	(b)	(c )		(d) Jnadjusted		(e)		(f) Adjusted	(g) (h)		(i	
				Historical				Historical			FB	
Line	Description	<b>C</b>		Test Year 2023		Adjustments		Test Year 2023	Allocation Factor		Revenue Requirement	
No	Description	Source		2023	No.	No. Amount Source: WP2		2023	Name	Factor	Requir	ement
1	Operating Expenses					Sour	ce: wP2		Sourc	ce: WP3		
2	Power Production Expense	WP1, L29, Col ( d )		_				\$ -		0.000000	\$	_
3	Cost of Purchased Power	WP1, L29, Col ( d )	\$	34,800,839				\$34.800.839		0.000000	•	-
4	Transmission O&M	WP1, L30, Col ( d )	\$	562,137				\$ 562,137		1.000000	*	562,137
5	Distribution Expense-Operation	WP1, L31, Col (d)	\$	3,213,264	[1]	\$	_	\$ 3,213,264	DOM	0.000000		502,157
6	Distribution Expense-Maintenance	WP1, L32, Col ( d )	\$	810,008	[2]		-	\$ 810,008	DOM	0.000000		
7	Consumer Accounts Expense	WP1, L33, Col ( d )	\$	677,497	[4]	φ		\$ 677,497	DOM	0.000000		-
8	Customer Service and Informational Expense	WP1, L34, Col ( d ) WP1, L35, Col ( d )	\$	328,527				\$ 328,527		0.000000		-
9	Sales Expense	WP1, L35, Col ( d )	\$	34,745				\$ 34,745		0.000000		
10	Administration & General	WP1, L30, Col ( d )	\$	3,545,843	[3]	\$	(84 508)	\$ 3,461,335	LAB	0.014591		50,504
10	Total O&M Expense		φ	5,545,645	[3]	φ	(84,308)	\$ 5,401,555	LAD	0.014391	<u>\$</u>	612,641
12	Depreciation and Amortization	Sum (L2:L10)									\$	012,041
12	Transmission	WP1, L40, Col ( d )	\$	663,946				\$ 663,946		1.000000	*	663,946
13	General Plant	WP1, L40, Col ( d )	\$	110,166				\$ 110,166	LAB	0.014591		1,607
14	Property Tax	WP1, L41, Col ( d ) WP1, L43, Col ( d )	\$	110,100				\$ 110,100 \$ -	NP	0.371167		1,007
16	Other Taxes	WP1, L44, Col ( d )	\$	_				\$ - \$ -	NP	0.371167		
	L.T. Interest <sup>1</sup>		•					*				0.57 550
17		WP1, L45, Col ( d )	\$	2,310,423				\$ 2,310,423	NP	0.371167	•	857,553
18	Interest Charged to Construction - Credit	WP1, L46, Col ( d )	\$	-				\$ -	NP	0.371167		-
19	Interest-Other	WP1, L47, Col ( d )	\$	66,320		¢	(25.000)	\$ 66,320 \$ 17,540	NP	0.371167		24,616
20	Other Deductions	WP1, L48, Col ( d )	\$	52,558	[4]	\$	(35,009)	\$ 17,549	NP	0.371167	<u>\$</u> \$	6,514
21	Total Cost of Electric Service									:	3	2,166,877
22											0.000	10000
23	Margin Requirement		<u>_</u>								OTIER	MDSC
24	Principal Payments	WP1, L62, Col ( d )	\$	2,475,170				\$ 2,475,170	NP	0.371167		§ 918,701
25	L.T. Interest	L17	\$	2,310,423		\$	-	\$ 2,310,423	NP	0.371167		
26	Subtotal	Sum (L24:25)									\$ 857,553	
27	Required Coverage Ratio	WP1, L64, Col ( d )									1.80	1.80
28	Gross Margin Requirements	L26 x L27									1,543,595	3,197,258
29	Less: Offsets to Margin Requirements	WP4, L4 or L13, Col ( i )									1,096,725	1,762,279
30	Net Margin Requirement	L28 - L29								:	\$ 446,870	5 1,434,979
31												
32	Total Revenue Requirements											
33	Using the greater of OTIER or MDSC Margin Requirements	L21 + L30									\$3,60	·
34	Divided By Total Billing Demand	WP5, L20, Col (Total)									1,103,3	
35	Unadjusted Unit Rate	L33 / L34								:	\$3.26/k	W-mo.
36	Less: Property Tax Surcharge	N/A										
37	Resultant Unit Rate	L35 - L36								:	\$3.26/k	W-mo.

#### The Victory Electric Cooperative Association, Inc. Mid-Kansas Division 34.5kV Formula Based Rate Work Paper 1 - Input Data For the Historical Test Year Ending December 31, 2023

Line						
<u>No</u>	Description	Source		Amo		Notes
	(a)	(b)		( c )	(d)	(e)
1	A. Net Plant in Service - Using Average Monthly Balance			20	23	_
2 3	1. Facilities Used to Provide Local Access Delivery Service			Plant in Service	Accum. Res. for Depr.	
4	Transmission Facilites			Service	ioi Depi.	-
5	350 Land and Land Rights	Trial Balance - 12 Mo Avg	\$	196,813		
6 7	352 Structures and Improvements 353 Station Equipment	Trial Balance - 12 Mo Avg Trial Balance - 12 Mo Avg	\$ \$	1,053,558 10,123,581		
8	355 Poles and Fixtures	Trial Balance - 12 Mo Avg	\$	8,474,668		
9	356 O.H. Conductors and Devices	Trial Balance - 12 Mo Avg	\$	9,133,559		
10	358 U.G. Conductors and Devices	Trial Balance - 12 Mo Avg	\$	251,610 29,233,788	\$ 6,493,224	- GL acct 108.5
11 12	Subtotal Distribution Facilities (If Applicable )	Sum(L5:L10)	э	29,255,788	\$ 0,493,224	GL acct 108.5
13	360 Land and Land Rights	N/A	\$	-	\$ -	
14	361 Structures and Improvements	N/A	\$	-	\$ -	
15	362 Station Equipment	N/A L13 + L15	\$	-	<u>\$</u> - \$-	-
16 17	Subtotal Total	L13 + L13 L11 + L16		29,233,788	\$ 6,493,224	-
18			*	_,,,,,	• •,	
19	2. All Facilities		<u>^</u>	1 022 255	150.051	
20 21	301-303 Intangible Plant 350-359 Transmission Plant	Trial Balance - 12 Mo Avg Trial Balance - 12 Mo Avg	\$ \$	1,022,372 29,233,788	170,834 \$ 6,493,224	,
21	360-373 Distribution Plant	Trial Balance - 12 Mo Avg	\$	58,244,724		
23	389-399 General Plant	Trial Balance - 12 Mo Avg	\$	4,818,700	\$ 2,087,370	
24	Total		\$	93,319,584	\$ 31,944,468	
25 26						
20						
28	B. Operating Expenses				EOY	_
29 30	Power Production Expense Cost of Purchased Power	Statement of Operations Statement of Operations			\$ - \$ 34,800,839	
31	Transmission O&M	Statement of Operations			\$ 54,800,839 \$ 562,137	
32	Distribution Expense-Operation	Statement of Operations			\$ 3,213,264	
33	Distribution Expense-Maintenance	Statement of Operations			\$ 810,008	
34 35	Consumer Accounts Expense Customer Service and Informational Expense	Statement of Operations Statement of Operations			\$ 677,497 \$ 328,527	
36	Sales Expense	Statement of Operations			\$ 328,327 \$ 34,745	
37	Administrative and General	Statement of Operations			\$ 3,545,843	
38	Depreciation and Amortization	Statement of Operations			\$ 2,900,983	
39 40	Depreciation Expense - Distribution	Trial Balance - 12/31/21 Trial Balance - 12/31/21			\$ 1,741,883 \$ 663,946	
40	Depreciation Expense - Transmission Depreciation Expense - General Plant	Trial Balance - 12/31/21			\$ 110,166	
42	Amortization of AP (booked within Depreciation Expense)	Trial Balance - 12/31/21			\$ 363,219	
43	Property Tax	Statement of Operations			\$ -	
44 45	Other Taxes L.T. Interest	Statement of Operations Statement of Operations			\$ - \$ 2,310,423	
45	Interest Charged to Construction - Credit	Statement of Operations			\$ 2,510,425 \$ -	
47	Interest-Other	Statement of Operations			\$ 66,320	
48	Other Deductions	Statement of Operations			\$ 52,558	
49 50	C. Payroll					Part of GL acct
51	Transmission	Payroll Journal (Labor Amt)			\$ 20,118	560-573
52	Distribution	Payroll Journal (Labor Amt)			\$ 1,002,056	580-598
53	Customer Accounting	Payroll Journal (Labor Amt)			\$ 255,940	
54 55	Customer Service and Information Sales	Payroll Journal (Labor Amt) Payroll Journal (Labor Amt)			\$ 100,706 \$ -	907-910 911-916
55 56	Administration and General	Payroll Journal (Labor Amt)			\$ 1,224,896	
57	Total					Non-capitalized items
58						
59 60	D. Miscellaneous					
61	1. Debt Service					
62	Principal Payments	Company Records			\$ 2,475,170	
63 64	2 Target OTIEP/MDSC				1 00	Protocols Section D 2
64 65	2. Target OTIER/MDSC				1.80	Protocols, Section D.3
66	3. Margin Requirement Offsets			2022	2023	
67	Investment in Associate Organizations - Patronage Capital 1	Balance Sheet	\$	27,053,194	\$ 28,336,186	
68	Generation & Transmission Capital Credits	Statement of Operations			\$ 1,927,371	
69 70	Other Capital Credits and Patronage Dividends	Statement of Operations			\$ - \$ -	
70 71	Non-Operating Margins - Interest Cash Received from G&T/Lenders/Other Assoc. org.	Statement of Operations Company Records			\$ - \$ 644,379	
72	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				. 0.1,577	
73	4. Other				¢	
74 75	AP Amortization Booked in Other Deductions	Supplementary Company Records			\$ -	N/A
75						

#### The Victory Electric Cooperative Association, Inc.

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#### Work Paper 2 - Adjustments To Historical Test Year Expenses

For the Historical Test Year Ending December 31, 2023

Line		6		
<u>No</u>	Туре	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Notes</u>
1	1. Adjustment to Distribution Operations Expense per K.S.A. 66-101f(a), if any:			
2	Applicable Disallowance - Distribution Operations	WP6	\$ -	not applicable
3	Total Adjustment	L2	\$ -	
4				
5	2. Adjustment to Distribution Maintenance Expense per K.S.A. 66-101f(a), if any:			
6	Applicable Disallowance - Distribution Maintainance	WP6	\$ -	not applicable
7	Total Adjustment	L6	<b>\$</b> -	
8				
9	3. Adjustment to Administrative & General per K.S.A. 66-101f(a), if any:			Protocols, Section D, part 1.b
10	Applicable Disallowance - A&G	WP6	\$ 84,508	
11	Total Adjustment	L10	\$ (84,508)	
12				
13	4. Adjustment to Other Deductions:			Protocols, Section D, part 1.d
14	Historical Amount	WP1, L48, Col ( d )	\$ 52,558	
15	Less: Amortization of AP booked in Other Deductions	WP1, L74, Col ( d )	\$ -	not applicable
16	Historical Amount with AP removed	L14 - L15	\$ 52,558	
17	Sub-total Adjustment	L16 - L14	\$ -	
18	Less: Applicable Disallowance - Other Deductions	WP6	\$ 35,009	
19	Total Adjustment	L17 - L18	\$ (35,009)	

# The Victory Electric Cooperative Association, Inc.

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# Work Paper 3 - Allocation Factors for the True-Up Calculation

# For the Historical Test Year Ending December 31, 2023

	For the Historical Test Year En	lung December 51, 2025		
Line <u>No.</u>	<b>Description</b>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Allocator</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1	Distribution O&M Allocation Factor			
2	Distr. Plant used to provide Local Access Delivery Service	WP1, L16, Col (c)	9	-
3	Total Distribution Plant	WP1, L22, Col (c)	5	
4				, ,
5	Allocation Factor	L2 / L3	DOM	-
6				
7	Labor Allocation Factor			
8	Transmission Wages	WP1, L51, Col (d)	9	5 20,118
9	Allocated Distribution Wages			
10	Total Distribution Wages	WP1, L52, Col (d)	9	5 1,002,056
11	Allocation Factor	L5	DOM	-
12		L10 * L11	9	-
13	Total LAC Wages	L8 + L12	9	20,118
14	-		_	
15	Total Wages Other than A&G			
16	Total Wages	WP1, L57, Col (d)	9	5 2,603,715
17	Less: Administration & General Wages	WP1, L56, Col (d)		1,224,896
18		L16 - L17		
19		210 217		1,0 / 0,020
20	Transmission Labor Allocator	L13 / L18	LAB	0.014591
21				01011091
22	Net Plant Allocation Factor			
23	Plant-in-Service			
24	Transmission	WP1, L11, Col (c)	5	5 29,233,788
25	Distr. used to provide Local Access Service	L2	S	
26	General Plant			
27	Total General Plant	WP1, L23, Col (c)	S	4,818,700
28	Allocation Factor	L20	LAB	0.014591
29		L27 * L28		
30	Total LAC Plant-in-Service	L24 + L25 + L29		
31			=	
32	Accumulated Reserves for Depreciation			
33	Transmission	WP1, L11, Col (d)	9	6,493,224
34	Distribution Used in LAC	WP1, L16, Col (d)	9	
35	Allocated General Plant			
36	Total General Plant	WP1, L23, Col (d)	9	5 2,087,370
37	Allocation Factor	L20	LAB	0.014591
38		L36 * L37	S	
39	Total LAC Accum. Depr. Res.	L33 + L34 + L38		
40	1			,
41	Net Plant Used in LAC	L30 - L39	S	5 22,780,417
42			=	
43	Total Plant in Service	WP1, L24, Col (c)	9	5 93,319,584
44	Less: Total Accum. Reserves for Depr.	WP1, L24, Col (d)	9	5 31,944,468
45	Total Net Plant	L43 - L44		
46			=	
47	Transmission Net Plant Allocator	L41 / L45	NP	0.371167
• /				0.071107

# The Victory Electric Cooperative Association, Inc. Mid-Kansas Division 34.5kV Formula Based Rate Work Paper 4 - Margin Requirement Offsets For the Historical Test Year Ending December 31, 2023

(a) Line	(b)	(c)	(d) Historical		(g) (h) Allocation Factor		(i) Allocated	
No	Metric	<u>Source</u>	Tot Amount		Name	Factor	to FBR	
1	OTIER					WP3		
2	LT Interest Expense	Pg.1, L17, Col ( d )	\$	2,310,423	NP	0.371166983	\$	857,553
3	Cash Received from G&T/lenders	WP1, Col (d), L71	\$	644,379	NP	0.371166983	\$	239,172
4			\$	2,954,803		_	\$	1,096,725
5						=		
6	MDSC							
7	LT Interest Expense	L2	\$	2,310,423	NP	0.371166983	\$	857,553
8	Depreciation Expense							
9	Transmisison	Pg.1, L13, Col ( d )	\$	663,946		1.000000	\$	663,946
10	General Plant	Pg.1, L14, Col ( d )	\$	110,166	LAB	0.014591	\$	1,607
11	Non-Operating Margins - Interest	WP1, L70, Col ( d )	\$	-	NP	0.371166983	\$	-
12	Cash Patronage Capital*	L20	\$	644,379	NP	0.371166983	\$	239,172
13	Resultant Amount	Sum (L7:L12)	\$	3,728,915		_	\$	1,762,279
14						-		
15	*Calculate Pat. Cap. (Cash):							
16	Inv. in Assoc. Org Patr. Capital - Current Yr.	WP1, L67, Col ( d )	\$	28,336,186				
17	Inv. in Assoc. Org Patr. Capital - Prior Yr.	WP1, L67, Col ( c )	\$	27,053,194				
18	Generation & Transmission Capital Credits	WP1, L68, Col ( d )	\$	1,927,371				
19	Other Capital Cr. and Patronage Dividends	WP1, L69, Col ( d )	\$	-				
20	Resultant Amount	L17 + L18 + L19- L16	\$	644,379				

#### Victory Electric Cooperative Association, Inc. Mid-Kansas Division 34.5kV Formula Based Rate

#### Work Paper 5 - Billing Demand

For the Historical Test Year Ending December 31, 2023<sup>1</sup>

Line 1 2 3 4	Description Total Local Access System CP Date CP Time (hour Ending)	<u>Jan</u> 78,398 26 1100	<u>Feb</u> 76,817 16 1100	<u>Mar</u> 70,243 29 1000	<u>Apr</u> 80,856 14 1600	<u>May</u> 98,275 09 1600	<u>Jun</u> 114,769 29 1600	<u>Jul</u> 122,078 17 1600	<u>Aug</u> 123,279 01 1600	<u>Sep</u> 106,955 07 1600	<u>Oct</u> 94,564 02 1600	<u>Nov</u> 74,377 07 1700	<u>Dec</u> 74,911 14 1300	<u>Total</u> 1,115,521
5	Wholesale Customers @ Del. Pt.													
6	Montezuma	1,496	1,663	1,259	1,389	2,037	2,577	2,927	2,701	2,516	2,134	1,435	1,436	23,570
7	KEPCO	435	475	480	676	991	975	1,244	1,095	685	680	774	390	8,900
8	Cimmaron (KMEA)	1,878	2,111	1,678	2,271	3,178	4,248	4,927	4,703	4,147	3,012	1,645	2,058	35,854
9	Subtotal	3,808	4,249	3,416	4,336	6,205	7,800	9,097	8,499	7,348	5,826	3,854	3,884	68,323
10	Losses @ 1.10% of 34.5 kV Output	42	47	38	48	68	86	100	93	81	64	42	43	752
11	Subtotal with Losses (@ Source)	3,850	4,296	3,454	4,384	6,274	7,886	9,197	8,593	7,429	5,890	3,896	3,927	69,075
12 13	Victory Retail													
14	Retail with Losses (@ Source)	74,548	72,521	66,789	76,472	92,002	106,883	112,881	114,686	99,527	88,674	70,481	70,984	1,046,446
15	Losses @ 1.09% of 34.5 kV Input	811	789	727	832	1,001	1,163	1,228	1,248	1,083	965	767	772	11,386
16	Retail @ Delivery Point	73,737	71,732	66,062	75,640	91,001	105,720	111,653	113,438	98,444	87,709	69,714	70,212	1,035,060
17													· ·	
18														
19														
20	Total Billed Demand													1,103,384

<sup>1</sup> Provided by G&T

#### Victory Electric Cooperative Association, Inc. Mid-Kansas Division 34.5kV Formula Based Rate Work Paper 6a - Summary of Exclusions For the Historical Test Year Ending December 31, 2023

		Total	Total Adj	
Account	Description	Amount	Excluded	Balance
		\$	\$	\$
Other Deductions:				
426.1	DONATIONS	45,058	31,259	13,799
426.5	COBANK MATCHING DONATION NON-PR	7,500	3,750	3,750
426.51	OTHER DEDUCTIONS		-	-
	Total	52,558	35,009	17,549
A&G				
920.8	ADMIN & GENERAL TRAINING EXPENSE	37,058	1,732	35,326
923	OUTSIDE SERVICES EMPLOYED	91,995	1,874	90,121
930.1	GENERAL ADVERTISING EXPENSE	13,001	6,375	6,627
930.11	GIVE AWAYS	10,829	10,829	-
930.2	MISC GENERAL EXP - MISCELLANEOUS	290,386	2,551	287,835
930.21	MISC GENERAL EXP - DIRECTORS FEE	295,164	12,006	283,158
930.22	MISC GENERAL EXP - BUSINESS MEET	21,655	3,714	17,941
930.23	MISC GENERAL EXP - LOCAL, STATE, N	13,478	13,478	-
930.24	MISC GENERAL EXP - ANNUAL MEETIN	39,282	4,629	34,653
930.243	SCHOLARSHIP	7,500	3,750	3,750
930.27	EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION	19,261	19,261	-
930.6	COMMUNITY EVENTS	16,513	3,168	13,345
930.7	WELLNESS PROGRAM	1,141	1,141	-
	Total	857,263	84,508	772,756

Notes: Victory's review of General and Administrative expenses by category:

Admin & General Training Expense: Outside Services Employed: General Advertising Expense:

Give Aways: Misc General Exp - Misc:

Misc General Exp - Directors Fees: Misc General Exp - Business Mtg: Misc General Exp - Local, State: Misc General Exp - Annual Meeting:

Community Events

Misc General Exp - Christmas Party, ACRE/KCRE employee expenses:

Scholarships, Sponsorship of Employee activities & Wellness program:

Meals provided for employees are excluded at 100%.

Airfare for attorney excluded at 50%, meals and per diem are excluded at 100%.

Expense related to company image and general advertising were excluded at 100%. All other advertising related to member safety, legal ads and meeting announcements were not excluded. Expenses related to both company image and safety related messages were excluded at 50%. Dues that may have been included in this category were excluded at 50%.

Purchases for gift give aways were excluded at 100%.

Miscellaneous and General expenses were looked at as true business expenses versus other indirect expenses. Expenses related to travel, property taxes, liability insurance and labor were not excluded. Expense for meals, subscriptions to publications and retirement meals were excluded at 100%. Donations and dues that may have been included in this category were excluded at 50% with the exception of Kansas Electric Cooperative (KEC) monthly assessment dues. KEC provides needed services and programs to electric cooperatives for mutual benefit of the member cooperatives. The dues associated with KEC represent services KEC provides for our cooperative, which include our safety program, OSHA compliance, safety inspections, staff & board training and administrative functions on a statewide basis.

Expenses associated with meals, subscriptions, entertainment and gifts were excluded at 100%. Expenses associated with meals were excluded at 100%.

NRECA membership dues excluded at 100%.

Expenses for the publication, balloting, official notice mailings and expenses in regard to holding the annual meeting were not excluded. Expenses for member gifts were excluded at 100%. Expenses related to these community services projects were excluded 100% with the exception of any labor and/or fleet costs associated with these activities. This includes Pumpkin Festival, Dodge City Days Parade, Parade of Lights.

Expenses related to miscellaneous employee expenses for holiday parties were excluded 100%.

Donations were excluded at 50%. Benefit projects for employees (ex: 930.27 and 426.10) were

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Total Adjustment

The Victory Electric Cooperative Association, Inc. Mid-Kansas Division 34.5kV Formula Based Rate Work Paper 6b - Detail of Exclusions For the Historical Test Year Ending December 31, 2023

Total Percent Amount Excluded

Reference

Account Description

Date

Vendor

See Filing Exhibit 9

# ATTACHMENT B

# ERRATA EXHIBIT 12

(Attached)

# EXHIBIT 12

# **Proposed Tariff Sheets**

Clean and Redline Versions

THE VICTORY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION, INC.

(Name of Issuing Utility)

#### MID-KANSAS SERVICE AREA (Territory to which schedule is applicable)

No supplement or separate understanding shall modify the tariff as shown hereon.

#### LOCAL ACCESS DELIVERY SERVICE

#### AVAILABLE

Entire Mid-Kansas Service Area.

#### **APPLICABLE**

For delivery to wholesale (sales for resale) customers over Victory's 34.5 kV (or other available lower primary voltage) subtransmission/distribution system.

#### CHARACTER OF SERVICE

Alternating current, 60 cycle, three phase, 34.5 kV or other available lower primary voltage.

#### MONTHLY RATE

Demand Charge @ \$3.26 per kW.

#### MONTHLY BILLING DEMAND

When service is provided in association with network service, Monthly Billing Demand shall be defined as the Customer's kilowatt contribution to the Local Access Delivery System maximum hourly demand coincident with Victory's monthly Local Access Delivery System peak in the billing month as measured at the low side of the delivery point (the "Actual CP Demand"). Generation that is located behind the meter of a designated network load shall be metered and the amount of generation serving the Customer's network load at the time of Victory's monthly Local Access Delivery System peak shall be added to the Customer's Actual CP Demand to determine the Monthly Billing Demand. For other local access service (including, but not limited to, point-to-point transmission service requiring local access service and service reservations), Monthly Billing Demand shall be the greater of the Customer's service request or actual maximum monthly demand.

#### LOSSES

Real Power Losses are associated with all Local Access Delivery service. The Local Access Delivery customer is responsible for replacing losses associated with all transmission service as calculated by MKEC or paying MKEC for the Real Power Losses at MKEC's wholesale rate. The applicable Real Power Loss factor for the entire Mid-Kansas Service Area is as follows:

#### LOSS FACTOR

1.10 percent of energy as measured at delivery point.

#### DELAYED PAYMENT

As per schedule DPC.						
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Effective						
	Month	Day	Year			
Ву	Signature		CEO Title			

Schedule: 25-LAC

Replacing Schedule <u>24-LAC</u> Sheet <u>1</u> Which was filed September 21, 2023

Sheet 1 of 2 Sheets

THE VICTORY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION, INC. (Name of Issuing Utility)

MID-KANSAS SERVICE AREA

(Territory to which schedule is applicable)

No supplement or separate understanding

shall modify the tariff as shown hereon.

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Service will be rendered under Cooperative's Rules and Regulations as filed with the Kansas Corporation Commission.

Issued				
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By			CEO	
-	Signature		Title	

Schedule: <u>25-LAC</u> Replacing Schedule <u>24-LAC</u> Sheet <u>2</u>

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Which was filed on September 21, 2023

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THE VICTORY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION, INC

(Name of Issuing Utility)

#### MID-KANSAS SERVICE AREA (Territory to which schedule is applicable)

No supplement or separate understanding shall modify the tariff as shown hereon.

#### LOCAL ACCESS DELIVERY SERVICE

#### AVAILABLE

Entire Mid-Kansas Service Area.

#### **APPLICABLE**

For delivery to wholesale (sales for resale) customers over Victory's 34.5 kV (or other available lower primary voltage) subtransmission/distribution system.

#### CHARACTER OF SERVICE

Alternating current, 60 cycle, three phase, 34.5 kV or other available lower primary voltage.

#### MONTHLY RATE

Demand Charge @ \$<u>3.26</u>3.06 per kW.

#### MONTHLY BILLING DEMAND

When service is provided in association with network service, Monthly Billing Demand shall be defined as the Customer's kilowatt contribution to the Local Access Delivery System maximum hourly demand coincident with Victory's monthly Local Access Delivery System peak in the billing month as measured at the low side of the delivery point (the "Actual CP Demand"). Generation that is located behind the meter of a designated network load shall be metered and the amount of generation serving the Customer's network load at the time of Victory's monthly Local Access Delivery System peak shall be added to the Customer's Actual CP Demand to determine the Monthly Billing Demand. For other local access service (including, but not limited to, point-to-point transmission service requiring local access service and service reservations), Monthly Billing Demand shall be the greater of the Customer's service request or actual maximum monthly demand.

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#### DELAYED PAYMENT

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Schedule: 254-LAC

Replacing Schedule <u>243-LAC</u> Sheet <u>1</u> Which was filed September 2<u>12</u>, 202<u>32</u>

Sheet 1 of 2 Sheets

THE VICTORY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION, INC. (Name of Issuing Utility)

MID-KANSAS SERVICE AREA

(Territory to which schedule is applicable)

No supplement or separate understanding

shall modify the tariff as shown hereon.

#### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Service will be rendered under Cooperative's Rules and Regulations as filed with the Kansas Corporation Commission.

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Effective				
	Month	Day	Year	
By			CEO	
-	Signature		Title	

Schedule: 254-LAC

Sheet 2 of 2 Sheets

Replacing Schedule <u>243-LAC</u> Sheet <u>2</u> Which was filed on September 212, 20232

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# ATTACHMENT C

# ERRATA PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF JUSTIN CRASWELL

(Attached)

# **BEFORE THE KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION**

# **OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

In the Matter of the Application of The ) Victory Electric Cooperative Association, ) Inc. Seeking Commission Approval to ) Docket No. 24-VICE-690-TAR Update Its Local Access Delivery Service ) Tariff Pursuant to the 34.5kV Formula ) Based Rate Plan Approved in Docket No. ) 21-SEPE-049-TAR.

# ERRATA PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

# JUSTIN CRASWELL **RATE AND DATA ANALYST** ECONOMICS, RATES, AND BUSINESS PLANNING **POWER SYSTEM ENGINEERING, INC.**

# **ON BEHALF OF**

# THE VICTORY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION, INC.

July 16, 2024

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# **PART I - QUALIFICATIONS**

# **Q.** Please state your name and business address.

A. My name is Justin R. Craswell. My business address is 6 Pine Tree Drive, Suite 350, Arden Hills, Minnesota 55112.

# **Q.** What is your profession?

 A. I am a Rate and Data Analyst in the Economics, Rates, and Business Planning Department at Power System Engineering, Inc. ("PSE"), which is headquartered at 1532 W. Broadway, Madison, Wisconsin 53713

# **Q.** Please describe the business activities of PSE.

A. PSE is a consulting firm serving electric utilities across the country, but primarily in the Midwest. PSE is involved in: power supply, transmission and distribution system planning; distribution, substation and transmission design; construction contracting and supervision; retail and wholesale rate and cost of service ("COS") studies; economic feasibility studies; merger and acquisition feasibility analysis; load forecasting; financial and operating consultation; telecommunication and network design, mapping/GIS; and system automation including Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition ("SCADA"), Distributed Energy Resource ("DER"), Demand Side Management ("DSM"), metering and outage management systems.

# **Q.** Please describe your responsibilities with PSE.

A. I work on a team of staff that provides economic, financial, and rate-related consulting services to investor-owned, cooperative, and municipal utilities as well as regulators and industry associations. These services include:

	Testimony of Justin R. Craswell Page 2
1	Cost of Service Studies.     Market and Load Research.
2	<ul> <li>Capital Credit Allocations.</li> <li>Demand Response.</li> <li>Merger Analysis.</li> <li>Pole Attachment Charges.</li> </ul>
3	<ul> <li>Distributed Generation Rates.</li> <li>Energy Efficiency.</li> <li>Policy Review.</li> <li>Power Cost Adjustments.</li> </ul>
4	<ul> <li>Financial Forecasting.</li> <li>Large Power Contract Rates/Proposals.</li> <li>Rate Consolidation.</li> <li>Retail Rate Design and Analysis.</li> </ul>
5	<ul> <li>Line Extension Policies/Charges.</li> <li>Load Management Analysis.</li> <li>Icoad Forecasting.</li> </ul>
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8	Q. What is your educational background?
9	A. I graduated from the University of Wisconsin, Madison in 2019 with a Bachelor of Science
10	degree in Agricultural & Applied Economics and a minor in Sustainability. In 2020, I also
11	received my Master of Science degree in Agricultural and Applied Economics from the
12	University of Wisconsin, Madison.
13	Q. What is your professional background?
14	A. In January 2021, I joined PSE, in a position of Rate and Financial Analyst in the Economics,
15	Rates, and Business Planning Department.
16	Q. Have you previously presented testimony before the KCC?
17	A. No, but I have assisted with the analysis and preparation of testimony for, Prairie Land Electric
18	Cooperative, Western Cooperative Electric Association, The Victory Electric Cooperative
19	Association, Inc, and Southern Pioneer Electric Company in Docket Nos. 21-PLCE-406-TAR,
20	21-WSTE-404-TAR, 21-VICE-412-TAR, 21-SPEE-411-RTS, 22-PLCE-496-TAR, 22-
21	WSTE-497-TAR, 22-VICE-498-TAR, 22-SPEE-501-TAR, 23-PLCE-789-TAR, 23-WSTE-
22	791-TAR, 23-VICE-793-TAR, & 23-SPEE-792-RTS.
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1		PART II - SUMMARY OF DIRECT TESTIMONY
2	Q.	What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?
3	A.	The purpose of my testimony is to support the Application submitted in the instant Docket by
4		Victory for the approval of its 34.5kV Formula Based Rate ("FBR") Annual Update filing for
5		Year 2024 based on the Historical Test Year ending December 31, 2023.
6	Q.	Are there particular Exhibits to Victory's Application that you will be describing and
7		explaining?
8	A.	Yes. My testimony concerns, and is supported by, the following Exhibits to the Application
9		in the instant docket:
10		Exhibit 5 - 34.5KV FBR Calculation for Test Year Exhibit 12 - Proposed Tariff Sheets Including Rate Adjustment
11	Q.	Have the exhibits been prepared by you or under your supervision?
12	A.	Yes.
13	Q.	Please briefly recap Victory's 34.5kV FBR.
14 15	A.	The 34.5kV FBR, as approved for Victory by the Commission in Docket No. 21-SEPE-049-
15		TAR ("21-049 Docket"), is a five-year ratemaking plan that provides a method for periodic
17		adjustments to a demand rate assessed on the Cooperative's wholesale customers taking the
18		Local Access Delivery Service ("LADS") over Victory's 34.5kV sub-transmission facilities in
10		its acquired Mid-Kansas division territory.
20		The details of the predetermined and agreed-upon calculations for the corresponding LADS
21		rate adjustments are outlined in Section D of the Commission-approved Victory's 34.5kV FBR
22		Protocols ("Protocols"), included in the Commission Order Approving Unanimous Settlement
23		Agreement as Attachment A2 to Exhibit A filed in the 21-049 Docket on April 15, 2021. The
24		purpose of this formulaic ratemaking mechanism is to allow for timely adjustments to the
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aforementioned rate without incurring the substantial expense and/or experiencing regulatory lag typically associated with the preparation of a full rate case.

It should be noted that the Application in the 21-049 Docket represented a request for the continuation of the initial 34.5kV FBR five-year plans approved by the Commission on March 10, 2015 in Docket 16-MKEE-023-TAR ("16-023 Docket) for Victory and three other member-cooperatives of Sunflower Electric Power Corporation. In addition to the request to continue the initial FBR plans for the next five years, the applicants in the 21-049 Docket also sought, and were granted, the limited modification and minor clarifications to the initial FBRs, such as simplifying the process by adopting a historical test year and eliminating debt service projections and clarifying some language in the Protocols. Parties also sought and received the approval of the update to the line loss factors for their respective LADS tariffs.

**Q.** What data formed the basis for Victory's 2024 34.5kV FBR calculation?

A. Consistent with the Protocols, the calculation was based upon a 2023 Historical Test Year. As such, it utilized historical figures from Victory's (Mid-Kansas division) December 2023
 Operating Income Statement, Balance Sheet, Payroll Journal, and 2023 Monthly Trial Balance.<sup>1</sup>

Q. Were there any extraordinary adjustments made to the 2023 Historical Test Year data in this year's filing that are outside of the adjustments dictated by the Protocols?

|| A. No.

Q. Please summarize the results of Victory's 2023 34.5kV FBR calculation.

A. Completing the 34.5kV FBR template calculation consistent with the Protocols approved by

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Included in Victory's Application as part of Exhibits 4 (Year-End Comparative Operating Income Statements and Balance Sheets), 6 (Year-End Trial Balances), 7 (Year-End Payroll Journals), and 8 (Supplemental Schedules, which include 12-month average Trial Balance).

the Commission in the 21-049 Docket results in the Total Revenue Requirement of \$3,601,856. In accordance with Section D.4 of the Protocols, the resultant total dollar amount was divided by the total billing demand for the Historical Test Year; to arrive at the final rate of \$3.26/kW. The resulting final LADS rate of \$3.26/kW represents a \$0.20/kW or around 6.5% increase from Victory's currently effective rate for LADS of \$3.06/kW authorized by the Commission in Docket No. 23-VICE-793-TAR. Translated into total dollars, this constitutes a \$220,283 increase.<sup>2</sup> Applying Victory's wholesale customers' Load Ratio Share ("LRS") of 6.19 percent indicates approximately \$13,640 of the overall increase is attributed to these customers on the combined basis. The detailed 34.5kV FBR calculation for the Test Year is contained in Exhibit 5 attached to the Application filed in the instant Docket.

#### PART III - ADJUSTMENTS TO THE ACTUAL TEST YEAR RESULTS

Q. You stated that 2023 actual results formed the basis for the 34.5kV FBR calculation. The Protocols specify a limited number of adjustments to be made. What adjustments did you make to Victory's actual 2023 financial results in completing the 34.5kV FBR template?
A. Per Sections D.1.b and D.1.e of the Protocols, and in recognition of the Commission policy adopted per K.S.A. 66-101f (a), Administrative and General ("A&G") expense was adjusted to remove certain amounts associated with the dues, donations, charitable contributions, promotional advertising, penalties and fines, and entertainment expenses incurred during the

Calculated by applying the \$0.20/kW adjustment to the Test Year total billing determinants (kW).

Test Year.<sup>3</sup> The excluded amounts, as well as reasoning in support of inclusion or exclusion of the associated items, are noted on Page 7 of Exhibit 5.

Finally, Section D.2 of the Protocols mandates that certain revenue and expense categories be further allocated to remove the costs not associated with Victory's 34.5kV facilities.

# Q. Please describe the adjustments made to the 2023 Test Year Operating Expenses in conjunction with the Protocols' Section D, sub-sections b and e, and the Commission's policy per K.S.A. 66-101f (a).

A. A reduction in the amounts of \$84,508 and \$35,009, as evidenced on Page 1 of Exhibit 5, Line 10 and Line 20, Column (e), were applied to the historical amount of \$3,545,843 in A&G Expense and the historical amount of \$52,558 in Other Deductions, respectively, in order to remove the amounts associated with promotional or image advertising and dues and donations; i.e., activities traditionally disallowed by the Commission either as unnecessary to provide safe, efficient, reliable electric utility service, or consistent with the Commission policy adopted per K.S.A. 66-101f (a). Accordingly, historical amounts, as recorded in Victory's applicable GL accounts, were adjusted as follows: promotional or image advertising items were excluded 100 percent, and dues and donations items were excluded 50 percent. Note that advertising associated with items such as public safety announcements, annual meeting notices, legal ads, and job postings were not removed, as those activities are directed toward keeping the members well informed and/or represent direct business expense and thus align with the Commission-advocated goal of providing safe, efficient, and reliable electric utility

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K.S.A. 66-101f (a) allows adoption of a policy of "disallowing a percentage, not to exceed 50%, of utility dues, donations and contributions to charitable, civic and social organizations and entities, in addition to disallowing specific dues, donations and contributions which are found unreasonable or inappropriate."

service.<sup>4</sup> Additionally, dues associated with the Kansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc. ("KEC") statewide organization membership were not removed for similar reasons, as KEC functions for the mutual benefit of its member-cooperatives to promote rural electrification and provides essential services, such as safety programs and inspections, Occupational Safety and Health Administration ("OSHA") compliance, Cooperative staff and Board training, and administrative functions on a state-wide level.

Detailed listings of the aforementioned items by GL account and the corresponding adjustments performed can be found in Exhibit 9 attached to the Application in the instant Docket. The summary of the adjustments by GL, as well as the methodology applied by Victory, is included in Exhibit 5, Page 7. The adjustment was further reflected on Page 3 of Exhibit 5, Lines 9-11 and Lines 13-19. The resultant adjusted A&G amount is \$3,461,335, as reflected on Page 1, Line 10, Column (f) of Exhibit 5; and the resultant adjusted Other Deductions amount is \$17,549, as reflected on Page 1, Line 20, Column (f) of Exhibit 5.

Q. Next, please describe how the adjusted system-wide financial results were allocated to the 34.5kV system to arrive at Victory's 34.5kV FBR Revenue Requirement that includes only those costs which are associated with the Cooperative's sub-transmission facilities used in the provision of LADS.

A. Section D.2 of the Protocols specifies the methodology for allocating applicable total systemwide operating expenses and margin requirements to the 34.5kV system so as to arrive at the revenue requirement associated with Victory's sub-transmission facilities used to provide

Expenses related to both company image and safety-related messages were excluded 50 percent.

LADS in the acquired Mid-Kansas service territory.<sup>5</sup> Following is an explanation of the allocations:

- Per Section D.2.a of the Protocols, the A&G expenses are to be allocated using a Labor ratio ("LAB"), where the latter is calculated as a ratio of Transmission Labor to Total Non-A&G Labor. The corresponding labor dollar amounts are found in the Labor Amount Column of the December 31, 2023 Payroll Journal, included with Exhibit 7 attached to the Application filed in the instant Docket. Next, Exhibit 5, Page 4, Lines 7-20 show how the resultant LAB ratio of 0.014591 is calculated. Applying LAB to the \$3,461,335 in Adjusted Historical Test Year A&G expense assigns \$50,504 to the 34.5kV FBR, as shown in Exhibit 5, Page 1, Line 10, Column (i).
- Depreciation and Amortization Expense is to be calculated directly (a.k.a. "direct-assignment") in accordance with Section D.2.b of the Protocols. Therefore, the \$663,946 in Transmission plant depreciation for the Historical Test Year is allocated to the 34.5kV FBR in its entirety, as evidenced on Page 1, Line 13, Column (i) of Exhibit 5. The \$110,166 in General Plant Depreciation Expense for the Historical Test Year is to be allocated on the LAB ratio, ultimately assigning \$1,607 to the 34.5kV FBR, as evidenced on Page 1, Line 14, Column (i) of Exhibit 5.
  - For allocating Taxes Other, Other Deductions, Interest on Long-Term Debt, Other Interest, Principal Payments, and Offsets to Margin Requirements, the Budget Year Net Transmission Plant Ratio ("NP") is calculated. The Historical Test Year NP, as defined in Section D.2 of the Protocols, reflects the ratio of the average monthly

<sup>5</sup> Again, to clarify, "system-wide," as used in this context, is intended to mean combined distribution and transmission.

Transmission Net Plant to the average monthly Total Net Plant for the 2023 Historical Test Year.<sup>6</sup> The calculation of the NP allocation factor is detailed on Page 4, Lines 22-47 of Exhibit 5. The results of applying the calculated NP of 0.371167 to the corresponding Adjusted Historical Test Year expenses are evidenced on Page 1, Lines 15-25, Column (i) of Exhibit 5.

It should also be noted that the Transmission Operation and Maintenance Expense is a category that is directly related to the provision of the LADS. Therefore, it was assigned 100 percent (i.e., using allocator of 1.0) to the 34.5kV FBR Revenue Requirement.

# PART IV - REVENUE REQUIREMENT AND RATE CALCULATION

# Q. How was Victory's 34.5kV FBR Total Revenue Requirement calculated after performing all the adjustments and allocations detailed above?

A. Per Section D.4 of the Protocols, the Total 34.5kV FBR Revenue Requirement is a sum of all the applicable operating expenses and margin requirements. Specifically, after the 2023 actual operating expenses were adjusted as directed by the Protocols and allocated to reflect the portion applicable to the Cooperative's sub-transmission facilities used in the provision of the LADS, the Total Cost of Service was quantified at \$2,166,877, as evidenced on Page 1, Line 21, Column (i) of Exhibit 5. Next, the Net Margin Requirement was calculated using 1.8 OTIER and 1.8 MDSC metrics, as contemplated in Section D.3 of the Protocols. The same Section dictates that the ratio resulting in greater net margins required will be used. An MDSC of 1.8 produced \$1,434,979 in margin requirements, which was greater than the \$446,870 margin requirements produced by OTIER of 1.8, as evidenced on Page 1, Lines 23-30, Column

 (i) of Exhibit 5. Accordingly, applying the MDSC-produced \$1,434,979 in Net Margin Requirement to the \$2,166,877 in Total Cost of Service generates the 34.5kV FBR Total Revenue Requirement of \$3,601,856.

# **Q.** Please explain how the resultant wholesale demand rate for LADS was determined.

A. Section D.4 of the Protocols further directs that the 34.5kV FBR Total Revenue Requirement is to be divided by the Total Billing Demand for the Test Year. The latter is comprised of both retail and wholesale billing determinants on Victory's 34.5kV system for the Mid-Kansas division, and factors in the appropriate losses percentages, as specified in Victory's Commission-approved LADS tariff.<sup>7</sup> For 2023 Test Year, the Total Billing Demand for Victory's 34.5kV system was quantified at 1,103,348 kW, as reflected on Page 1, Line 34, Column (i) of Exhibit 5 and further detailed on Page 6 of the same Exhibit. Dividing the resultant Total Revenue Requirement of \$3,601,856 by 1,103,384 kW produces the unadjusted rate of \$3.26/kW, a \$0.20/kW, or 6.5%, increase compared to the existing LADS rate of \$3.06/kW. The main drivers behind this year's decrease were decreased to O&M and A&G expenses.

# **Q.** What is your final recommendation to the Commission?

A. My recommendation is to approve Victory's Application in the instant Docket, as the resultant rate is reflective of the COS, which was calculated in accordance to the Commission-approved 34.5kV FBR Protocols, and therefore is just and reasonable and in the public interest.

# **Q.** Have the proposed tariffs as required in the Protocols in Section E.12 been provided?

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The billing determinants, as well as the financial information used to calculate the LADS rate, still represent the Cooperative's Mid-Kansas division's data, as required by the Commission-approved 34.5kV FBR Protocols. The line loss percentage incorporated in the billing determinants is based on the Commissionapproved percentages as stated in the April 15, 2021 Order on Unanimous Settlement Agreement filed in the 21-049 Docket.

A. Yes, they are included as Exhibit 12 of the Application filed in the instant Docket.

# **Q.** Does this conclude your prefiled Direct Testimony?

A. Yes, it does.

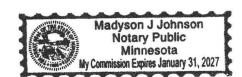
## VERIFICATION

STATE OF MINNESOTA ) ) ss COUNTY OF RAMSET )

> The undersigned, Justin R. Craswell, upon oath first duly sworn, states that he is the Rate and Data Analyst, Economics, Rates, and Business Planning for Power System Engineering, Inc.; that he has read this Prefiled Direct Testimony and knows the contents thereof; and, that the facts therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief.

ault Justin R. Craswel

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  $\frac{16}{5}$  day of  $\frac{519}{2024}$ , 2024.



My appointment expires: January 31, 2027

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day emailed the foregoing document to each person listed below:

Dated this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2024.

/s/ Taylor P. Calcara

Taylor P. Calcara

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