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

Before Commissioners:

Dwight D. Keen, Chair Susan K. Duffy Andrew J. French

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In the Matter of the Application of) KanOK Energy, LLC (Operator) for an) Operator's License Renewal.

Docket No: 22-CONS-3473-CMSC CONSERVATION DIVISION License No: 35428

ORDER ON MOTION TO REVISE SCHEDULING ORDER

The Commission rules as follows:

1. On June 30, 2022, the Commission denied Operator's March 24, 2022, application for a license. On July 7, 2022, Operator requested a hearing. On July 14, 2022, the Commission designated a presiding officer and set a July 28, 2022, prehearing conference.

2. On September 9, 2022, Presiding Officer Myers cancelled the upcoming testimony deadlines in this matter and directed Operator to propose alternative deadlines.¹

3. On September 12, 2022, Operator proposed alternative deadlines via motion. On September 14, 2022, Commission Staff responded, and on September 15, 2022, Operator replied.

4. Staff's direct testimony was timely submitted on August 26, 2022; the original procedural schedule made Operator's direct and rebuttal testimony due September 13, 2022, and Staff's rebuttal testimony due September 27, 2022.²

5. Operator now requests until October 28, 2022, to submit its direct and rebuttal testimony, citing the contents of Staff's testimony, as well as Operator's counsel's schedule.³ Staff

¹ See Presiding Officer Order Cancelling Deadlines (Sep. 9, 2022).

² See Presiding Officer Order Setting Procedural Schedule (Aug. 2, 2022).

³ See Motion to Revise Scheduling Order (Sep. 12, 2022); Reply (Sep. 15, 2022).

objects to Operator's proposed timeframe, stating the issues should be well-known to Operator and should not require months to investigate, and requests an October 4, 2022, deadline.⁴

6. The Commission has an interest in prompt, efficient resolution of proceedings. And there is probably merit to Staff's general argument; at a minimum, Staff's argument was fair to make. But given this is a proceeding involving Operator's license, and in light of Operator's counsel's schedule, the Commission's preference is to provide Operator the time requested.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. Operator's pre-filed direct and rebuttal testimony shall be due by Friday, October 28,
2022. Staff's pre-filed rebuttal testimony shall be due by Monday, November 14, 2022.

B. Staff is encouraged to request more time for its rebuttal testimony if circumstances necessitate; Presiding Officer Myers is directed to endeavor to promptly bring this matter to hearing upon the submission of all pre-filed testimony.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Keen, Chair; Duffy, Commissioner; French, Commissioner

Dated: <u>09/20/2022</u>

Lynn M. Ref

Lynn M. Retz Executive Director

Mailed Date: <u>09/20/2022</u> JRM

⁴ See Response to Operator's Motion (Sep. 14, 2022).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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