

**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 Westar      )  
Energy, Inc. to Cease Transacting the Business      )  
of an Electric Public Utility, Specifically in      ) Docket No. 15-WSEE-239-CCS  
Portions of Atchison County, Jackson County,      )  
Jefferson, and Leavenworth County, Kansas.      )

**ORDER GRANTING WAIVER OF DEADLINE**

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having reviewed the pleadings and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1.      On December 5, 2014, Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar") filed an Application requesting Commission approval to cease the transaction of business as an electric public utility in portions of Atchison, Jackson, Jefferson, and Leavenworth counties.
2.      Likewise, on December 16, 2014, in Docket Number 15-LVJE-258-COC, Leavenworth Jefferson Electric Cooperative ("Leavenworth Jefferson") filed an Application requesting Commission approval to transact business as an electric public utility in portions of Atchison, Jackson, Jefferson, and Leavenworth counties.
3.      On May 20, 2015, Staff filed its motion seeking a waiver of the 180-day deadline pursuant to K.S.A. 66-131, noting both Westar and Leavenworth Jefferson were unopposed to the waiver and extension. Staff requested a new deadline of July 23, 2015 relevant to Westar's Application.

4. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 66-131(b) requires the Commission issue an order on an application for certificate of public convenience and necessity within 180 days; however nothing in that section precludes the parties and Commission from agreeing to a waiver of the 180-day period.

5. The Commission finds Staff's request, unopposed by Westar and Leavenworth Jefferson, to be reasonable and therefore should be granted.

**IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:**

(A) Staff's Motion for Waiver is granted and the new deadline for decision on Westar's Application in this docket shall be July 23, 2015.

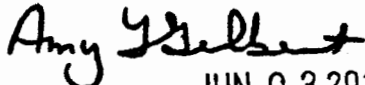
(B) The parties have fifteen (15) days, plus three (3) days if service of this order is by mail, from the date this order was served in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration of any issue or issues decided herein.<sup>1</sup>

(C) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it may deem necessary and proper.

**BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner;

Dated: JUN 02 2015

  
ORDER MAILED JUN 03 2015  
Neysa Thomas  
Acting Secretary

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<sup>1</sup> K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 77-529(a)(1).

PLEASE FORWARD THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT (S) ISSUED IN THE ABOVE-REFERENCED DOCKET  
TO THE FOLLOWING:

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The Docket Room hereby certified that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_, it caused a true and correct copy of the attached ORDER to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the above persons.