

THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION /S/ Jeffery S. Wasaman
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners: John Wine, Chair
 Cynthia L. Claus
 Brian J. Moline

In the Matter of the Investigation by the)
Commission of the Adequacy of Quality of)
Retail Service Provided by Kansas Electric) Docket No. 02-GIME-365-GIE
Public Utilities and the Prudence of)
Developing Electric Service Quality)
Standards)

ORDER ALLOWING EXTENSION OF TIME

The State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (“Commission”), having examined its files and records and being fully advised in the premises, finds:

1. In its November 16, 2001 Order Opening Docket, (“Order”) the Commission described the historical background supporting the need for this docket and identified subject matters to be considered. In addition, the Commission established a schedule, pursuant to which the Commission’s Staff (“Staff”) was directed to file its Response to the Order. Interested utilities were directed to file their initial comments within 15 days following the filing of Staff’s Response.

2. On November 30, 2001, Staff filed its Response. Among the comments contained in Staff’s Response was mention that Staff had been contacted by certain parties who indicated they anticipated needing additional time to file their initial comments. Staff indicated that if any party sought an extension, Staff would have no objection to a reasonable extension of 30 days, for a total of 45 days, following the filing of Staff’s Response.

3. On November 29, 2001 a group of individual utilities collectively referred to as the “Kansas Electric Public Utilities” filed a Joint Motion for Extension of Time. They generally

referred to the events recited in the preceding paragraphs, stated reasons why an extension of time was necessary, and requested issuance of an order granting an extension of time to January 16, 2002 for submission of initial comments and proposals for a procedural schedule. The moving utilities contended that the upcoming holidays and scheduled vacations would make earlier compliance difficult.

4. The Commission finds the requested extension is reasonable, is not opposed and should be allowed. The Commission further finds that the extension should be allowed for all utilities filing initial comments.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION:

(A) On or before January 16, 2002 interested utilities shall file their initial positions on the issues initially addressed by Staff, together with their proposals for a procedural schedule. The Commission will then determine the course of further proceedings in this docket.

(B) A party may file a petition for reconsideration of this Order within 15 days of the date of this Order. If service is by mail, three days are added to the above time frame.

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

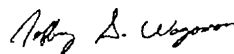
BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Wine, Chr.; Claus, Comm.; Moline, Comm.

Dated: DEC 07 2001

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 Executive Director

Jeffrey S. Wagaman
Executive Director

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