THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:	Jay Scott E	Shari Feist Albrecht, Chair Jay Scott Emler Dwight D. Keen		
In the Matter of the Joint A	Application of)		
Sunflower Electric Power Co	orporation and)		
Mid-Kansas Electric Compa	ny, Inc. into)	Docket No. 19-SEPE-054-MER	
Sunflower Electric Power Corp	ooration.)		

ORDER ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having reviewed the pleadings and record, the Commission makes the following findings:

- 1. On August 3, 2018, Sunflower Electric Power Corporation (Sunflower) and Mid-Kansas Electric Company, Inc. (MKEC) filed a Joint Application with Sunflower being the surviving entity.¹
- 2. On October 2, 2018, MKEC, Commission Staff, the City of Garden City, Kansas (Garden City), ITC Great Plains, LLC (ITC), the Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (KEPCo), the Kansas Municipal Energy Agency (KMEA), and the Kansas Power Pool, Inc. (KPP), filed a Joint Motion for Procedural Schedule.²
 - 3. The Commission adopts the following procedural schedule:

DATE	TIME	ACTION
August 3, 2018		Application Filed
January 4, 2019	5:00 pm	Staff/Intervenor Direct Testimony Due
January 25, 2019	5:00 pm	Staff/Intervenor Cross-Answering Testimony Due
February 13, 2019	5:00 pm	Joint Applicants' Rebuttal Testimony Due

¹ Joint Application for Approval of Merger, Aug. 3, 2018.

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² Joint Motion for Procedural Schedule, Oct. 2, 2018.

DATE	TIME	ACTION
February 19, 2019	TBD	Settlement Conference
February 20, 2019	5:00 pm	Discovery Cut-off
February 22, 2019	5:00 pm	Motion Cut-off
February 25, 2019	5:00 pm	Deadline to Submit Settlement Agreement.
March 1, 2019	5:00 pm	Deadline to File Settlement Support/Opposition
		Testimony
March 1, 2019	5:00 am	Contested Issues List Due
March 4, 2019	9:00 am	Prehearing Conference, 3 rd Floor Hearing Room,
		KCC Topeka Office
March 19, 2019 –	9:00 am –	Evidentiary Hearing, 1st Floor Hearing Room,
March 22, 2019	5:00 pm	KCC Topeka Office
April 9, 2019	5:00 pm	Joint Applicants' Initial Brief Due
April 22, 2019	5:00 pm	Staff/Intervenor Responsive Brief Due
April 30, 2019	5:00 pm	Joint Applicants' Reply Brief Due
May 30, 2019		Commission Order Due

4. Finding that a prehearing conference is necessary to address any pending matters, to establish procedures to use during the Evidentiary Hearing, and to consider any other prehearing issues that will promote the orderly and prompt conduct of this proceeding,³ the Commission schedules a Prehearing Conference for March 4, 2019, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission's Third Floor Hearing Room, 1500 S.W. Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas. The Prehearing Officer will preside. Any party who fails to attend or participate in the Prehearing Conference or in any other stage of this proceeding may be held in default under the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act (KAPA).⁴ At the Prehearing Conference, this proceeding without further notice may be converted into a conference hearing or a summary proceeding for disposition of the matter as provided by KAPA.⁵

³ K.S.A. 77-517; K.A.R. 82-1-222.

⁴ K.S.A. 77-516(c)(8); K.S.A. 77-520.

⁵ K.S.A. 77-516(c)(7).

5. An Evidentiary Hearing, with the Commission presiding, will begin on March 19, 2019, at 9:00 a.m., and continue, as needed, through March 22, 2019, in the Commission's First Floor Hearing Room, 1500 S.W. Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas. Any party who fails to attend or participate in the hearing or in any other stage of this proceeding may be held in default under the KAPA.⁶

6. The Commission approves the use of electronic service of all testimony, briefs, and orders, without requiring provision of follow-up hard copies as required by K.A.R. 82-1-216(a)(6). Testimony and briefs must be served electronically by 5:00 p.m., on the date due, without requiring service among the parties of a follow-up hard copy. The Commission directs electronic service of testimony and briefs include service on the Prehearing Officer at b.fedotin@kcc.ks.gov.

7. Robert Vincent, <u>r.vincent@kcc.ks.gov</u>, 1500 S.W. Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas 66604-4027, is the attorney appearing on behalf of the agency in this proceeding.⁷

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- A. The procedural schedule set forth in paragraph 3 is adopted.
- B. Any party may file and serve a petition for reconsideration pursuant to the requirements and time limits established by K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).8
- C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it deems necessary.

⁶ K.S.A. 77-518(c)(8); K.S.A. 77-520.

⁷ K.S.A. 77-518(c)(2); K.S.A. 77-516(c)(2).

⁸ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Albrecht	, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Keen, Comn	nissioner
Dated: _	10/18/2018	
		Lynn M. Ref

Lynn M. Retz Secretary to the Commission

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I, the undersigned	, certify that the true copy	of the attached	Order has been s	served to the followin	g parties by me	ans of

electronic service on 10/18/2018

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