

THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners: Pat Apple, Chairman
Shari Feist Albrecht
Jay Scott Emler

In the Matter of the Application of Westar Energy,)
Inc. to Cease Transacting the Business of an Electric) Docket No. 17-WSEE-509-CCS
Public Utility, Specifically in Portions of Sections 23)
and 26, Township 13 South, Range 17 East, in Douglas)
County, Kansas.

ORDER

NOW, the above-captioned matter comes on for consideration and determination by the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("Commission"). Having examined its files and records, and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. On May 18, 2017, Westar Energy ("Applicant") filed an application seeking to cease operating as an electric public utility in a portion of Douglas County, Kansas. Applicant is an electric public utility as defined by K.S.A. 66-104. A public hearing was neither requested nor held on this application.

2. Specifically, Applicant requests permission to cease operating in the territory described as follows:

DOUGLAS COUNTY

The Southwest 1/4 of Section 23, Township 13 South, Range 17 East and the Northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Township 13 South, Range 17 East; as detailed on the map in the application.

This legal description was also included in Staff's Report and Recommendation (Staff's R&R) as Attachment 1, filed on May 26, 2017, in which Staff recommended the Commission approve Applicant's requested application to cease operations in the described territory.

3. Public convenience will be promoted by allowing Applicant to cease operating as an electric public utility in the territory described in Finding No. 2 above and granting FreeState Electric Cooperative, Inc., in Docket No. 17-FSEE-491-COC, a Certificate to serve as an electric public utility in that territory. This application, therefore, should be granted and an Order issued to Applicant to cease operation.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

(A) The application filed herein is granted and Westar Energy is permitted to cease operating as an electric public utility in the territory described in Finding No. 2 above.

(B) Any party may file a petition for reconsideration of this order within fifteen (15) days of the date this order is served. If service is by mail, service is complete upon mailing and an additional three days may be added to the above time frame. K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-259.

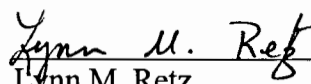
(C) The Commission retains jurisdiction of the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further order or orders as it may deem necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Apple, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Emler, Commissioner

Dated: JUN 22 2017

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Lynn M. Retz
Secretary to the Commission

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that the true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following parties by means of

Electronic Service on JUN 22 2017.

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