

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

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

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)
Westar Energy Inc. and Kansas Gas and) Docket No. 14-WSEE-428-ACA
Electric Company for Approval of their)
Annual Energy Cost Correction Adjustment)
Factor)

ORDER ON APPLICATION

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and determination. Having examined its files and records, and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following findings:

1. On March 20, 2014, Westar Energy Inc. and Kansas Gas and Electric Company (collectively referred to as “Westar”) filed a Joint Application seeking Commission approval for its Annual Correction Adjustment (ACA) factors under its Retail Energy Cost Adjustment (RECA) clauses.¹

2. On April 22, 2014, The Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board ("CURB") was granted intervention in this docket.²

3. The Staff of the Commission (“Staff”) filed its Report and Recommendation (“Report”) on September 17, 2014.³

¹ Joint Application, March 20, 2014.

² CURB's Petition to Intervene and Motion for Protective Order, March 30, 2014.

³ Notice of Filling Staff's Report and Recommendation, September 17, 2014.

4. Staff reported that it had audited Westar's actual fuel costs for the months of June, July, August, and September, 2013, and provided a detailed explanation of its audit. Staff noted that it had found no material irregularities.⁴

5. Staff also reported that as of December 31, 2013, Westar reported an under recovery of \$6,305,118 for the Retail Energy Cost Adjustment (RECA) year 2013. Staff further reported that this amount supports an ACA factor of \$0.0303 per kWh, which will increase the RECA factors for each month beginning April 2014 through March 2015.⁵

6. Based on its audit of Westar's Application and the additional information provided by the company in response to data requests, Staff recommends that Westar be authorized to calculate its 2013 ACA to collect \$6,305,118 under-recovery of 2013 RECA costs. Staff recommends the Commission approve the annual ACA factor of \$0.0303 per kWh for 2014.⁶

7. Upon review of Staff's Report, the Commission adopts Staff's Report and finds that Westar shall be authorized to calculate its 2013 ACA calculation to collect \$6,305,118 under recovery of 2013 RECA costs. The Commission finds that Westar's ACA factor of \$0.0303 per kWh should be approved.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

(A) Westar Energy Inc. is hereby authorized to calculate its 2013 ACA calculation to collect \$6,305,118 under-recovery of 2013 ECA costs.

(B) Westar Energy Inc.'s annual ACA factor of \$0.0303 per kWh for 2014 is hereby approved.

⁴ Report pg. 2.

⁵ Report pg. 1.

⁶ Report pg. 2.

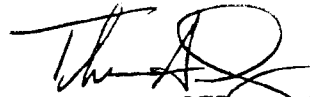
(C) The parties have 15 days, plus three days if service of this Order is by mail, from the date of service of this Order to petition the Commission for reconsideration.⁷

(D) 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, Chmn; Emler, Com.; Apple, Com.

Dated: SEP 23 2014



ORDER MAILED SEP 24 2014

Thomas A. Day
Acting Executive Director

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⁷ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 77-529(a)(1).

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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.