

**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. and Kansas Gas and Electric)
Company for Approval of Revisions to Their) Docket No. 14-WSEE-589-TAR
General Terms and Conditions Related to the)
Credit Card Convenience Fee.

SUSPENSION ORDER

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having examined the files, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. On June 18, 2014, Westar Energy, Inc. and Kansas Gas and Electric Company (Westar) filed an Application requesting approval to make revisions to the General Terms and Conditions of its Tariff in order to implement a new credit card program. Specifically, Westar seeks to eliminate the convenience fee for residential customers that use credit or debit cards to make payments and to incorporate the cost of those transactions into Westar's cost of service.¹ For commercial and industrial customers, Westar is proposing to adjust the amount of the convenience fee paid by customers to reflect the true cost of using that payment method for those customers.² In its Application, Westar requested the Commission make a final determination on its Application within 90 days.

2. The Commission has jurisdiction over this proceeding pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117.

¹ Application, ¶2.

² *Id.*

3. Commission Staff (Staff) has determined that it needs more than the 30 days contemplated in K.S.A. 66-117(c), as well as the 90 days as requested by Westar, to fully review Westar's Application and suspension is required to allow sufficient time for Staff's review and investigation of this matter. Therefore, Staff reserves the full 240 days pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c).

4. The Commission finds and concludes that suspension of the Application and deferral of its effective date are required to allow sufficient time for full investigation of this matter. The Application should be suspended for a period of 240 days from the date the application was made, June 18, 2014, until Friday, February 13, 2015, pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c).

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

(A) The Commission issues a Suspension Order as provided herein.

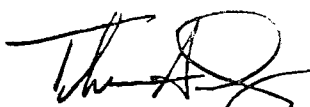
(B) The parties have fifteen (15) days, plus three (3) days if service of this order is by mail, from the date this order was served in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration of any issue or issues decided herein.³

(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, Com.; Apple, Com.;

Dated: JUL 08 2014


ORDER MAILED JUL 09 2014
Thomas A. Day
Acting Executive Director

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³ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 2013 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.