

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

Before Commissioners:                    Shari Feist Albrecht, Chair  
   Jay Scott Emler  
   Dwight D. Keen

In the Matter of the Application of Southern )  
Pioneer Electric Company for Approval to )  
Make Certain Changes to its Charges for )  
Electric Services, Pursuant to the Debt Service )     Docket Not. 18-SPEE-477-RTS  
Coverage Formula Based Ratemaking Plan )  
Approved in 13-MKKEE-452-MIS and 34.5kV )  
Formula Based Ratemaking Plan Approved in )  
Docket No. 16-MKKEE-023-TAR.                    )

**ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having reviewed its files and records, and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following findings:

1.        On April 30, 2018, Southern Pioneer Electric Company (Southern Pioneer) filed with the Commission an Application requesting approval to make certain changes to its charges for electric services. Southern Pioneer filed its Application pursuant to the Debt Service Coverage Formula Based Ratemaking (DSC-FBR) Plan approved in 13-MKKEE-452-MIS, and the 34.5kV Formula Based Ratemaking (34.5kV FBR) Plan approved in Docket No. 16-MKKEE-023-TAR.<sup>1</sup>
2.        On May 2, 2018, the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB) filed its Petition to Intervene, and the Commission granted CURB intervention on May 10, 2018.<sup>2</sup>
3.        On May 4, 2018, William G. Riggins entered his appearance on behalf of Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (KEPCo), and on May 17, 2018, Amy Fellows Cline entered her appearance on behalf of Kansas Power Pool (KPP).

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<sup>1</sup> Application of Southern Pioneer Electric Company, p. 1 (Apr. 30, 2018).

<sup>2</sup> *Order Granting CURB's Petition to Intervene*, ¶ 4 (May 10, 2018).

4. On June 6, 2018, Southern Pioneer, KEPCo, KPP, CURB and Commission Utilities Staff (Staff) (collectively, Joint Movants) filed a Joint Motion for Procedural Schedule, recommending an agreed schedule to the Commission for its review and approval.<sup>3</sup> The Joint Motion also noted that this proceeding “combines two distinct sets of procedural protocols.”<sup>4</sup> The Joint Movants “request a limited waiver of the protocols to consolidate recommendations into one filing format (e.g. testimony) rather than split recommendations between reports and testimony. Additionally, the Joint Movants request a limited waiver of the protocols specific to action dates as necessary to accommodate the [proposed procedural] schedule.”<sup>5</sup>

5. The Commission finds that the protocols give the Commission discretion to amend its processing of the DSC-FBR plan.<sup>6</sup> Thus, the Commission grants the Joint Movants’ request for limited waivers. In light of the waivers, and having reviewed the Joint Motion, the Commission adopts the following schedule:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Action</b>
April 30, 2018	Application filed
June 19, 2018	<b>34.5 FBR</b> One-day Technical Conference, if necessary
June 29, 2018	<b>34.5 FBR</b> Status telephone call
July 6, 2018	<b>DSC-FBR</b> Staff and Intervenors file testimony <b>34.5 FBR</b> Staff and Intervenors complete the review of the Annual Update and Staff files a Report and Recommendation and all other testimony pertinent to this docket. If necessary, Intervenors shall file testimony as outlined hereafter.
July 16, 2018	<b>DSC-FBR</b> Southern Pioneer files rebuttal testimony <b>34.5 FBR</b> Southern Pioneer files rebuttal testimony, if necessary.
July 31, 2018	<b>DSC-FBR</b> Commission Order either approving rate adjustment based on paper record or notifying parties that an evidentiary hearing will be held. <b>34.5 FBR</b> Commission Order either approving rate adjustment based on paper record or notifying parties that an evidentiary hearing will be held.

<sup>3</sup> Joint Motion for Procedural Schedule and Limited Waivers, ¶ 4 (June 6, 2018) (Joint Motion).

<sup>4</sup> Joint Motion, ¶ 5.

<sup>5</sup> Joint Motion, ¶ 5.

<sup>6</sup> See Application for Southern Pioneer Electric Company, Exhibit A, p. 1 (Apr. 30, 2018).

August 23, 2018	<b>DSC-FBR</b> One day evidentiary hearing, if necessary <b>34.5 FBR</b> One day evidentiary hearing, if necessary
September 11, 2018	<b>DSC-FBR</b> Final Order, if matter goes to evidentiary hearing <b>34.5 FBR</b> Final Order, if matter goes to evidentiary hearing

**THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:**

A. The procedural schedule in paragraph 5 above is adopted. The Joint Movants' request for limited waivers is approved.

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).<sup>7</sup>

D. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering further orders as it deems necessary.

**BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Keen, Commissioner

Dated: 06/21/2018



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Lynn M. Retz  
Secretary to the Commission

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<sup>7</sup> K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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