

**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 Kansas)
Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc.)
for Approval of an Accounting Order to)
Track Expenses Associated with the) Docket No. 17-KGSG-455-ACT
Investigating, Testing, Monitoring,)
Remediating and Other Work Performed at)
the Manufactured Gas Plant Sites Managed)
by Kansas Gas Service.)

ORDER SETTING 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 April 11, 2017, Kansas Gas Service, a division of ONE Gas, Inc. (Kansas Gas) filed an Application for Accounting Order to track the accumulation, deferral and recovery of costs incurred after January 1, 2017, associated with environmental work on natural gas facilities it manages.¹
2. On April 20, 2017, the Citizens' Utility Ratepayers Board (CURB) was granted intervention.²
3. On April 21, 2017, Commission Staff (Staff), CURB, and Kansas Gas filed a Joint Motion for Procedural Schedule. The parties proposed a two-track schedule. If the parties

¹Application for Kansas Gas Service Accounting Order, Apr. 11, 2017, p. 1.

²Order Designating Prehearing Officer; Granting Intervention to the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board; and Protective and Discovery Order, Apr. 20, 2017, ¶ 5.

are able to reach a settlement, they will proceed under Track I. If the parties are unable to reach a settlement under Track I, they will proceed under Track II.³

4. The Commission adopts a procedural schedule with two alternate tracks. If the parties are able to reach an agreement, the Docket will proceed under Track I. Once the parties determine which Track is appropriate, they will jointly advise the Prehearing Officer promptly.

The Commission establishes the following procedural schedule:

TRACK I

Date	Time	Action
TBD	TBD	Technical Conference(s)
August 9, 2017	5:00 p.m.	Staff Report & Recommendation
August 16, 2017	5:00 p.m.	Response to Staff's Report & Recommendation
August 17, 2017	9:00 a.m.	Settlement Conference (if necessary)
August 24, 2017	5:00 p.m.	Settlement & Supporting Testimony due
August 24, 2017	TBA	Prehearing Conference (if necessary)
August 30, 2017	9:00 a.m.	Evidentiary Hearing (if necessary) (First Floor Hearing Room, Commission, Topeka)
October 2, 2017		Order Due

TRACK II

Date	Time	Action
September 8, 2017	5:00 p.m.	Staff and Intervenor Testimony due
September 18, 2017	5:00 p.m.	Staff and Intervenor Cross Testimony due
September 25, 2017	5:00 p.m.	Kansas Gas Rebuttal Testimony due
September 28, 2017	TBD	Settlement Conference
October 5, 2017	5:00 p.m.	Settlement & Supporting Testimony due

³ Joint Motion for Procedural Schedule, Apr. 21, 2017, ¶ 9.

Date	Time	Action
October 24, 2017	9:00 a.m.	Prehearing Conference (3 rd Floor Hearing Room); List of Contested Issues due
November 1-2, 2017	9:00 a.m.	Evidentiary Hearing (1 st Floor Hearing Room)
November 30, 2017	5:00 p.m.	Post-hearing briefs due
January 9, 2018		Order due

5. If the parties wish to reschedule or cancel the technical conferences included in the procedural schedule, they do not need to file a formal pleading with the Commission. Instead, the parties may advise the Prehearing Officer in writing that they are rescheduling or canceling the conferences.

6. In the event the Commission holds an evidentiary hearing, a prehearing conference will be 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.⁴ If this Docket proceeds under Track I, the Prehearing Conference is scheduled for August 24, 2016, in the Commission's Third Floor Hearing Room, 1500 S.W. Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas. If this Docket proceeds under Track II, the Prehearing Conference is scheduled for October 24, 2017. The Prehearing Officer will preside over the Prehearing Conference. 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).⁵ At the Prehearing Conference, this proceeding

⁴ K.S.A. 77-517; K.A.R. 82-1-222.

⁵ K.S.A. 77-516(c)(8); K.S.A. 77-520.

without further notice may be converted into a conference hearing or a summary proceeding for disposition of the matter as provided by KAPA.⁶

7. If this Docket proceeds under Track I, an Evidentiary Hearing, with the Commission presiding, will begin on August 30, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., in the Commission's First Floor Hearing Room, 1500 S.W. Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas. If this Docket proceeds under Track II, an Evidentiary Hearing, with the Commission presiding, will begin on November 1, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., and continue, as needed on November 2, 2017, 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.⁷

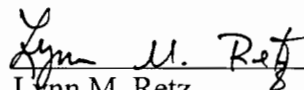
THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- A. The procedural schedule set forth in paragraph 4 is adopted.
- B. The parties have fifteen (15) days from the date this Order was electronically served to petition for reconsideration.⁸
- C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it deems necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Apple, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Emler, Commissioner

Dated: MAY 23 2017



Lynn M. Retz
Secretary to the Commission

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⁶ K.S.A. 77-516(c)(7).

⁷ K.S.A. 77-518(c)(8); K.S.A. 77-520.

⁸ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

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

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