

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

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

In the Matter of Westar Energy Seeking)
Commission Approval to Implement Changes) Docket No. 15-WSEE-366-TAR
in their 2015 Transmission Delivery Charge)

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION

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 February 19, 2015, Westar Energy, Inc. and Kansas Gas and Electric Company (“Westar Energy”) filed an Application with the Kansas Corporation Commission seeking approval of an updated Transmission Delivery Charge tariff.¹

2. On February 23, 2015, the Citizens’ Utility Ratepayer Board (“CURB”) filed its Petition to Intervene, citing its statutory authority to represent residential and small commercial ratepayers. CURB explains the rates paid by and the services received by residential and small commercial customers may be substantially affected by this proceeding.²

3. On February 26, 2015, Litigation Counsel Robert Vincent and Litigation Staff for CURB discussed CURB’s outstanding motion for a protective order and discovery order in this docketed matter. These discussions resulted in a mutual understanding that neither order would

¹ Application of Westar Energy Seeking Commission Approval to Implement Changes in their 2015 Transmission Delivery Charge (Feb. 19, 2015).

² Petition to Intervene, ¶ 5 (Feb. 23, 2015).

be required in this specific docket at this time.³ As such, the Commission takes action only on CURB's Petition to Intervene, and will withhold the issuance of a protective or discovery order at this time.

4. The Commission finds CURB has demonstrated an interest in this proceeding. Therefore, pursuant to K.S.A. 77-521, the Commission grants CURB's Petition for Intervention.

5. CURB will be added to the official service list. Service of pleadings, communications, and correspondence should be delivered to counsel of record and CURB's other designees, as follows:

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THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- A. CURB's Petition to Intervene is granted pursuant to K.S.A. 77-521.
- B. The parties have 15 days, plus three days if service of this Order is by mail, to petition the Commission for reconsideration.⁴

³ For historical reference, neither a protective nor a discovery order was issued in Westar Energy's 2014 Transmission Delivery Charge tariff proceeding. See Commission Docket No. 14-WSEE-393-TAR.

⁴ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

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.

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner

Dated: MAR 05 2015


ORDER MAILED MAR 06 2015.

Neysa Thomas
Acting Secretary

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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.