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BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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In the Matter of the Applications of Westar Energy, Inc. and Kansas Gas and Electric Company for an Order Authorizing them to participate in Efficiency Kansas, Approve the SimpleSavings Program Rider, and related cost recovery

Susan Lalify

Docket No. 10-WSEE-775-TAR

AFFIDAVIT OF DICK ROHLFS REGARDING CUSTOMER NOTICE

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Dick Rohlfs, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am Director, Retail Rates for Westar Energy, Inc. (Westar).

2. Westar sent notices describing the public hearings to be held in Topeka and Wichita, Kansas regarding the application filed by Westar in the above-referenced docket to all of its customers through bill inserts. A copy of the notice provided to customers is attached to this affidavit as Exhibit 1 (the Notice). The Notice was reviewed and approved by the Staff of the Kansas Corporation Commission and by the Commission's Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection.

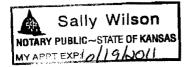
3. The last customer notice was inserted into customer bills on September 9, 2010.

All customers should have received the Notice with their electric bill on or before September 13,

2010.

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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this $2/2^{-1}$ day of September, 2010.



Notary Public

My Appointment Expires: 6/19/2011

Westar Energy

Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Energy-Efficiency Loan Program and Cost Recovery

Westar Energy's Proposal

On June 4, 2010, Westar Energy, Inc. and Kansas Gas and Electric Company (collectively Westar) filed an application with the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) for approval of its SimpleSavings program, which is a partnership with the Efficiency Kansas loan program operated by the State Energy Office using federal stimulus funds provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Within its application, Westar is also requesting approval to recover direct costs and lost revenues associated with the implementation of the SimpleSavings program in a future Energy-Efficiency Rider Charge on all customer bills.

Public Hearing

The KCC has scheduled two public hearings to allow Westar customers the opportunity to ask questions and make comments about the application:

Date and Time	Physical Location	Videoconference Location
Wednesday, September 22, 2010 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.	Kansas Corporation Commission First Floor Hearing Room 1500 SW Arrowhead Road Topeka, KS 66604	Pittsburg State University Kansas Technology Center, Room S 110 Rouse and Ford Street
		Pittsburg, KS 66762
Thursday, September 23, 2010 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.	WSU Eugene M. Hughes Metropolitan Complex Sudermann Commons Room 5015 E. 29 th North (Entrance "C") Wichita, KS 67220	N/A

Any person requiring special accommodations at the hearing under the Americans with Disabilities Act needs to provide notice to the KCC at least 10 days prior to the scheduled hearing by calling: 785-271-3166.

Westar customers unable to attend the public hearing are encouraged to submit comments to the KCC through November 15, 2010. Comments should reference Docket No: 10-WSEE-775-TAR and be emailed to: public.affairs@kcc.ks.gov, made over the phone at: 1-800-662-0027 or mailed to:

Kansas Corporation Commission Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection 1500 SW Arrowhead Road Topeka, KS 66604-4027

In the event State of Kansas offices in Topeka or Wichita are closed due to inclement weather, the public hearing may be canceled without further notice.

Energy-Efficiency Loan Program

The SimpleSavings program is designed to provide qualified customers an opportunity to finance energyefficiency improvements and pay for those improvements on their utility bills over a maximum of 180 payments. The goal is to provide energy-efficiency modifications that will produce enough savings to pay for the improvements and still lower the customer's energy bills. Participating customers in this SimpleSavings program may be eligible for loan amounts up to \$20,000 for eligible residential customers and \$30,000 for eligible business customers. Landlords and/or tenants who jointly agree to participate in the SimpleSavings program may also obtain funding for energy-efficiency modifications to rental properties.

An energy auditor approved by the State Energy Office will provide each participating customer an "Energy Conservation Plan" to ensure the improvements are appropriate and cost-effective. The loan program requires that the projected energy and dollar savings are greater than the cost of the improvements. If the cost to repay the improvements through the term of the loan exceeds 90% of the expected energy savings, the improvements will not qualify for the program.

Cost Recovery

Participants will pay a one-time charge of \$240 to offset a portion of Westar's costs related to initiating a SimpleSavings Loan Agreement. Westar will deduct this fee from the Efficiency Kansas loan proceeds prior to disbursement to the contractors. Remaining costs associated with Westar's administration of the SimpleSavings program will be recovered through a future Energy-Efficiency Rider Charge on all customer bills.

Westar is also requesting approval of a performance incentive it calls a Shared Savings Incentive mechanism. As customers participating in the SimpleSavings program make efficiency improvements to their premises, they may use less energy. Consequently, Westar may receive less revenue than it would if the customers had not participated in the program. Westar is requesting that the KCC allow it to recover the revenues it may lose as a result of implementing the SimpleSavings program. Westar suggests that all customers will benefit from avoided fuel and capacity costs. Westar therefore requests authority to recover these lost revenues in a future Energy-Efficiency Rider Charge on all customer bills and to share benefits of the program with investors.

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

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Erin La Row, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am Communications Representative for Westar Energy, Inc. (Westar).

2. I had legal notices describing the public hearings to be held in Topeka and Wichita, Kansas regarding the application filed by Westar in the above-referenced docket placed in the various newspapers located throughout Westar's service territory.

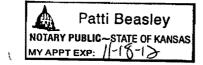
3. The newspapers in which the legal notice was published are listed in the spreadsheet that is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. This spreadsheet also identifies the dates on which the legal notices were published in each paper.

4. A copy of such legal notice is attached to this affidavit as Exhibit 2. This legal notice was reviewed and approved by the Staff of the Kansas Corporation Commission and by the Commission's Office of Public Affairs and Consumer Protection prior to publication.

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Erin La Row

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this $\frac{21}{200}$ day of September, 2010.



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Notary Public

My appointment expires: 1/18/12

Westar Energy Simple Savings Public Hearing Ads 9/13/2010



Publication	Size	Color	Run Day	Dates	Per ad	Total
Emporia Gazette	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Monday	9/13, 9/20	\$269.10	\$538.20
Hutchinson News	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Sunday	9/12, 9/19	\$813.00	\$1,626.00
Topeka Capital Journal	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Sunday	9/12, 9/19	\$1,580.70	\$3,161.40
Anderson County Review	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Tuesday	9/14, 9/21	\$190.20	\$380.40
Independence Daily Reporter	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Sunday	9/12, 9/19	\$235.50	\$471.00
Junction City Daily Union	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Tuesday/Saturday	9/14 <u>,</u> 9/18	\$249 (\$186.75 pu rate)	\$435.75
Council Grove Republican	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Monday	9/13, 9/20	\$137.40	\$274.80
Abilene Reflector-Chronicle	3 col. X 10 *	b/w	Monday	9/13, 9/20	\$202.50	\$405.00
Manhattan Mercury	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Sunday	9/12, 9/19	\$274.20	\$548.40
Salina Journal	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Wednesday, Sunday	9/15, <u>9</u> /19	\$658.50 (\$534.9 pick up)	\$1,193.40
Wichita Eagle	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Sunday/Saturday	9/12, 9/18	\$845.72 (\$422.86)	\$1,193.40
Burlington Coffey Co. Repub	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Tuesday	9/14, 9/21	\$223.50	\$447.00
El Dorado Times	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Tuesday	9/14, 9/21	\$240 (\$180 pu rate)	\$420.00
Hiawatha Daily World	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Tuesday	9/14, 9/21	\$187.50	\$375.00
Wilson City Citizen	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Thursday/Monday	9/16, 9/20	\$165.00	\$330.00
Parsons Sun	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Monday	9/13, 9/20	\$330 (\$138.75 pu rate)	\$495.00
Ark City Traveler	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Tuesday	9/14, 9/21	\$227.40	\$454.80
Kansas City Star - Olathe Neighborhood News	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Wednesday	9/15, 9/22	\$660 (\$330 pu rate)	\$990.00
Atchison Daily Globe	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Wednesday/Saturday	9/15, 9/18	\$336.9 (\$252.7 pu rate)	\$589.90
Lawrence Journal World	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Wednesday	9/15, 9/22	\$522.00	\$1,044.00
Newton Kansan	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Wednesday	9/15, 9/22	\$410.70	\$821.40
Leavenworth Times	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Tuesday	9/14, 9/21	\$390.00	\$780.00
Fort Scott Tribune	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Tuesday	9/14, 9/21	\$187.50	\$375.00
Wathena - The Kansas Chief	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Thursday	9/16, 9/23	\$180.00	\$360.00
Marion County Record	3 coł. X 10 "	b/w	Wednesday	9/15, 9/22	\$210 (\$188 pick up)	\$398.00
Yates Center News	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Thursday	16-Sep	\$150.00	\$150.00
Marysville Advocate	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Thursday	16-Sep	\$210.00	\$210.00
Pittsburg Morning Sun	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Wednesday, Sunday	9/15, 9/19	\$351 (\$185.25 pick up)	\$536.25
Miltonvale Record	3 col. X 10 "	b/w	Thursday	16-Sep	\$75.00	\$75.00 \$19.079.10

Exhibit 1

Total Expenditure: \$19,079.10

Exhibit 2

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS & COMMENT PERIOD CONCERNING RATE INCREASE REQUEST

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CATHRYN J. DINGES Corporate Counsel

September 22, 2010

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

Susan K. Duffy **Executive Director** Kansas Corporation Commission 1500 SW Arrowhead Road Topeka, Kansas 66604

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Re: In the Matter of the Application of Westar Energy, Inc. and Kansas Gas and Electric Company for an Order Authorizing them to participate in Efficiency Kansas, Approve the SimpleSavings Program Rider, and related cost recovery; Docket No. 10-WSEE-775-TAR

Dear Ms. Duffy;

Enclosed for filing please find the original and eight (8) copies of the following:

Affidavit of Dick Rohlfs Regarding Customer Notice and Attachments Affidavit of Erin LaRow Regarding Customer Notice and Attachments

Please file stamp one copy for my files.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Cathoyn Vinges Cathryn J. Dinges

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