

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

TARIFF FILING OF SALT RIVER ELECTRIC)	
COOPERATIVE CORPORATION TO DISCONTINUE)	CASE NO.
ITS RESIDENTIAL MARKETING RATE)	2018-00251

ORDER

On May 8, 2018, Salt River Electric Cooperative Corporation (Salt River Electric) filed a proposed tariff, through the Commission's Electronic Tariff Filing System, to discontinue its Residential Marketing Rate effective January 1, 2019. The Residential Marketing Rate applies to customers with Electric Thermal Storage (ETS) heaters. Salt River Electric states that it stopped selling ETS heaters in 2008, but continued to offer repair services and a 40 percent discounted rate on the electricity the heater uses. Under the proposal, Salt River Electric will no longer offer repair services or the discounted rate. Salt River Electric asserts that customers who are currently served under the Residential Marketing Rate would be moved to the Farm and Home Service (Residential) Rate if the request to discontinue the Residential Marketing Rate is approved.

Having considered the proposed tariff revision and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that further investigation is necessary to determine the reasonableness of Salt River Electric's proposal to discontinue its Residential Marketing Rate. The Commission further finds that procedural schedule should be established for the orderly processing of this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. This proceeding is opened to investigate the reasonableness of Salt River Electric's proposal to discontinue its Residential Marketing Rate.

2. The procedural schedule set forth in the Appendix to this Order shall be followed.

3. a. Responses to requests for information shall be appropriately bound, tabbed, and indexed and shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided, with copies to all parties of record, and the original and ten copies to the Commission.

b. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or an association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the preparer or person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

c. A party shall make timely amendment to any prior response if it obtains information which indicates that the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect.

d. For any request to which a party fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, that party shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

e. Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this

proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request.

f. Any party filing a paper containing personal information shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that the personal information cannot be read.

4. As set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(11)(a), a person requesting permissive intervention in a Commission proceeding is required to demonstrate either (1) a special interest in the proceeding which is not adequately represented in the case, or (2) that the person requesting permissive intervention is likely to present issues or develop facts that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter without unduly complicating or disrupting the proceedings. Further, KRS 278.040(2) requires that a person seeking intervention must have an interest in the rates or service of a utility, as those are the only matters that are subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Therefore, any person requesting to intervene in a Commission proceeding must state with specificity the person's special interest that is not otherwise adequately represented, or the issues and facts that the person will present that will assist the Commission in fully considering the matter. A mere recitation of the quantity of utility service consumed by the movant or a general statement regarding a potential impact of possible modification of rates will not be deemed sufficient to establish a special interest. In addition, any motion to intervene filed after August 15, 2018, shall also show good cause for being untimely. If the untimely motion is granted, the movant shall accept and abide by the existing procedural schedule.

5. Salt River Electric shall give notice of the hearing in accordance with the provisions set forth in 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(2). In addition, the notice of hearing shall include the following statement: "This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov." At the time publication is requested, Salt River Electric shall forward a duplicate of the notice and request to the Commission.

6. At any public hearing in this matter, neither opening statements nor summarization of direct testimonies shall be permitted.

7. Pursuant to KRS 278.360 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 9(9), a digital video recording shall be made of the hearing.

8. The Commission does not look favorably upon motions for continuance. Accordingly, motions for extensions of time with respect to the schedule herein shall be made in writing and will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

9. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the Commission from entering further Orders in this matter.

By the Commission

ENTERED
JUL 30 2018
KENTUCKY PUBLIC
SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:


Executive Director

APPENDIX

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2018-00251 DATED **JUL 30 2018**

- Requests for intervention shall be filed no later than08/15/18
- Initial requests for information to Salt River Electric
shall be filed no later than.....08/22/18
- Salt River Electric shall file responses to
initial requests for information no later than.....09/05/18
- Supplemental requests for information to
Salt River Electric shall be filed no later than.....09/19/18
- Salt River Electric shall file responses to
supplemental requests for information no later than.....10/03/18
- Salt River Electric or any Intervenor shall request either a hearing or that
the case be submitted for decision based on the record no later than.....10/09/18

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