

Decision No. R20-0175-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 19F-0620E

LA PLATA ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.,

COMPLAINANT,

V.

TRI-STATE GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION ASSOCIATION, INC.,

RESPONDENT.

PROCEEDING NO. 19F-0621E

UNITED POWER, INC.,

COMPLAINANT,

V.

TRI-STATE GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION ASSOCIATION, INC.,

RESPONDENT.

**INTERIM DECISION OF
HEARING COMMISSIONER
FRANCES A. KONCILJA
TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING EVIDENTIARY
HEARING AND RELATED DEADLINES**

Mailed Date: March 13, 2020

I. SUMMARY

1. La Plata Electric Association, Inc. and United Power, Inc. (collectively, Complainants) filed these formal complaints against Tri-State Generation and Transmission

Association, Inc. (Tri-State) on November 5 and 6, 2019, respectively requesting that this Commission determine a just, reasonable, and non-discriminatory exit charge for Complainants. On November 25, 2019 by Decision No. C19-0955-I, the Commission consolidated the complaints in Proceeding Nos. 19F-0620E and 19F-0621E and designated Commissioner Frances Koncilja as the Hearing Commissioner.

2. Commissioner Koncilja's term expired in January 2020. She was asked and agreed to continue to serve until a new commissioner was appointed and confirmed in her stead. Having so served, Commissioner Koncilja will shortly be stepping down.

3. As a result, these consolidated proceedings will return to the Commission *en banc*. The Commission will, with all due haste, decide whether these consolidated matters will move forward before the Commission *en banc*, a hearing commissioner, or an administrative law judge (ALJ). In the meantime, the procedural schedule must be modified.

4. The Evidentiary Hearing currently set for March 23rd to March 27th, 2020, will be suspended. The Commission, or if appointed, the hearing commissioner or ALJ, will reset the hearing.

5. The April 4, 2020 deadline for Statement of Positions must also be suspended. The deadline will be reset to accommodate the rescheduled evidentiary hearing.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The Evidentiary Hearing currently set for March 23rd to March 27th, 2020, will be suspended.

2. The April 4, 2020 deadline for Statement of Positions is suspended.

3. This Decision is effective on its Mailed Date.

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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

FRANCES A. KONCILJA

Hearing Commissioner

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doug Dean".

Doug Dean,
Director