

Decision No. R20-0813-I

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

PROCEEDING NO. 20F-0243E

UTILITIES BOARD OF THE CITY OF LAMAR,

COMPLAINANT,

V.

SOUTHEAST COLORADO POWER ASSOCIATION,

RESPONDENT.

**INTERIM DECISION OF
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
CONOR F. FARLEY
GRANTING JOINT REQUEST FOR
A SCHEDULING CONFERENCE
AND SETTING SCHEDULING CONFERENCE**

Mailed Date: November 18, 2020

I. STATEMENT

A. Relevant Background

1. On June 2, 2020, Utilities Board of the City of Lamar (LUB) filed a formal complaint against Southeast Colorado Power Association (SECPA).

2. On June 24, 2020, SECPA filed its Answer and Counterclaims.

3. On July 14, 2020, LUB filed its Reply to SECPA's Counterclaims.

4. On August 13, 2020, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) issued Decision No. R20-0595-I that scheduled the remote hearing for November 9 and 10, 2020.

5. On November 4, 2020, the parties filed a Joint Motion to Vacate Hearing Date and for Waiver of Response Time (Joint Motion). In the Joint Motion, the parties requested that the

remote hearing be vacated due to a death in the family of one of the attorneys of record in this proceeding. The parties also requested that they be given until November 18, 2020 to file a request for a scheduling conference to reschedule the hearing.

6. On November 6, 2020, the ALJ granted the Joint Motion in Decision No. R20-0786-I.

7. On November 17, 2020, the parties filed a Joint Request for a Scheduling Conference (Joint Request). In the Joint Request, the parties state that they are available for a scheduling conference on November 23, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The parties state that they will propose new hearing dates at the scheduling conference.

B. Analysis

8. The parties have stated good cause to grant the Joint Request. Accordingly, the Joint Request shall be granted and a remote scheduling conference shall be held on November 23, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. The ALJ finds that holding the scheduling conference remotely, in which the parties, their attorneys, and Commission Staff participate from remote and discrete locations, is consistent with current public health advisories to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The ALJ concludes that it is in the parties' and the public interest to hold the scheduling conference remotely.

C. Instructions for Participating in, and Observing, the Remote Scheduling Conference

9. Attachment A to this Decision provides instructions on how to use the GoToMeeting platform for participating in the remote scheduling conference.

II. ORDER

A. It Is Ordered That:

1. The Joint Request for a Scheduling Conference filed by the parties on November 17, 2020 is granted.

2. A remote scheduling conference is scheduled as follows:

DATE: November 23, 2020

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

FOR WEBCASTS: Hearing Room B

METHOD: Join by video conference at the link to be provided by an email from the Administrative Law Judge

3. Nobody should attend the remote scheduling conference in-person.

4. This Decision is effective immediately.

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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

CONOR F. FARLEY

Administrative Law Judge

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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

Doug Dean,
Director