BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of)	
Heather L. Cline for Change of Electric)	File No. EO-2024-0098
Supplier from Liberty Utilities to Southwest)	
Electric Cooperative)	

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND DIRECTING RESPONSES TO APPLICATION

Issue Date: September 18, 2023 Effective Date: September 18, 2023

On September 18, 2023, Heather L. Cline filed an application with the Commission requesting a change of electric supplier from Liberty Utilities to Southwest Electric Cooperative.

The Commission will direct its Data Center to send notice of the application to Liberty Utilities and Southwest Electric Cooperative. The Commission will also direct those parties to file a response and direct the Staff of the Commission (Staff) to file a recommendation.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Data Center of the Commission shall send this order, with a copy of the application, to Liberty Utilities and Southwest Electric Cooperative.
- 2. Liberty Utilities and Southwest Electric Cooperative shall each file a response to the application no later than October 18, 2023.
- 3. Staff shall file its recommendation regarding the application, or a report stating when it expects to file a recommendation, no later than November 2, 2023.

4. This order is effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell



Nancy Dippell Secretary

Kenneth J. Seyer, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 18th day of September, 2023.

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September 18, 2023
Data Center
Missouri Public
Service Commission

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of the application of)				
Heather L Cline) Case No				
(Name of Applicant)				
for change of electric supplier.				
APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF ELECTRIC SERVICE PROVIDER				
1. Applicant's address is: 1629 Highway 32 Bolivar, MO. 65613				
2. The name of Applicant's current electric service provider is:				
Liberty Utilities				
3. Applicant requests the Missouri Public Service Commission to order a change				
of electric supplier to the address indicated above.				
4. Applicant requested the Commission to order a change of electric supplier				
from Liberty Utilities				
(Current)				
to Southwest Electric Co-Op (Requested)				
5. Applicant requests the Missouri Public Service Commission to order a change				
of electric provider for the following reasons.* Liberty Utilities charges both kilowatt per hour				
and service fees beyond what is considered reasonable. We currently get charged a customer charge,				
usage charge (kilowatts used), energy efficiency program cost, energy efficiency invest cost, fuel charge				
and taxes. When comparing rates with our neighbors Southwest Electric statement at .100/kwh and calculating our				
rates with Liberty at .154/kwh would have been approximately \$130 less for one month. If Liberty Utilities is allowed to charge				
and set their own unreasonable pricing structure, customers should have a choice in their service provider. We live				
outside the city limits of Bolivar with most of our neighbors having Southwest Electric.				

Applicant has taken the following st	eps in an attempt to work out electric
service problems with the electric service pro-	vider:
I have spoken to Liberty Utilities customer service or	several occasions in regards to my bills and they
continually tell me that it is correct. I asked for a revie	ew of their meter to ensure it was working properly
and they claim its our problem not theirs. They sugge	ested that we turn our thermostat to 78 in the summer
and 68 in the winter, which is unacceptable and not a	comfortable degree for individuals to live in their home
Also suggested that I limit cooking in the summer to a	avoid heat in the home. Our house is only 6 years old
and has spray foam insulation, high efficiency applian	nces and we have propane for our back-up heat in the
winter, not electric heat strips.	
WHEREFORE, Applicant requests the	e Missouri Public Service Commission to
issue an Order which changes the current elec	etric service provider.
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(Date)	(Signature of Applicant)
	(417)327-5936
•	(Phone Number)

*If reason for change is poor service, outages, low voltage, etc., applicant should submit a record of service problems covering at least 90 days, including dates and times of problems to the extent possible. Applicant should also attempt to determine reasons for any service problems. For instance, if electric service was out or you are experiencing blinking lights, you should contact the supplier of electric service to determine the problem, and include this information with the application. (If the reasons from the supplier was a storm, car hitting pole, trees in line, conductor fell down, or whatever the supplier states for the problem, this should be noted.)

STATE OF MISSOURI)) ss.	
COUNTY OF Polk)	
<u>VERIFICATION</u>		
Heather L. Cline ,	on oath, states that he/she has read the	
foregoing application and is familiar with it	s contents and the matters set forth therein are	
true to the best of his/her knowledge, inform	nation and belief.	
	(Signature of Applicant)	
SWORN TO BEFORE ME, the undersigne	d Notary Public on this the 12	
day of September	<u>1</u> № <u>2023</u>	
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My Commission Expires: January	31, 2025	



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OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 18th day of September, 2023.

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Nancy Dippell Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION September 18, 2023

File/Case No. EO-2024-0098

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

Nancy Dippell Secretary

Recipients listed above with a valid e-mail address will receive electronic service. Recipients without a valid e-mail address will receive paper service.