STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 24th day of May, 2018.

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Farmers' Electric)
Cooperative and the City of Cameron for Approval of a) File No. EO-2018-0276
Change of Supplier for Certain Customers in Clinton and)
Caldwell Counties for Reasons in the Public Interest)

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION

Issue Date: May 24, 2018 Effective Date: June 5, 2018

Farmers' Electric Cooperative, a rural cooperative, ("the Coop") and the City of Cameron ("the City") (together, "the applicants") jointly filed the application.¹ The Commission's staff filed a recommendation² and the Commission received no reply to the recommendation within the time set by regulation.³ No evidentiary hearing is necessary before granting unopposed relief, so this action is not a contested case, and the Commission need not separately state its findings of fact.

The Commission has jurisdiction to determine which of the applicants shall be the supplier for the structures specified in the application:

Once a rural electric cooperative . . . lawfully commences supplying retail electric energy to a structure through permanent service facilities, it shall have the right to continue serving such structure, and other suppliers of electrical energy shall not have the right to provide service to the structure [.] The public service commission, upon application made by an affected party, may order a change of suppliers on the basis that it is in the public interest for a reason other than a rate

¹ Electronic Filing and Information System ("EFIS") No. 1 (April 5, 2018) *Joint Application for Change of Electric Supplier*.

² EFIS No. 3 (May 4, 2018) Staff Recommendation to Approve Joint Application for Change of Electric Supplier.

³ 4 CSR 240-2.080(13).

differential, and the commission is hereby given jurisdiction over rural electric cooperatives to accomplish the purpose of this section. The commission's jurisdiction under this section is limited to public interest determinations [.4]

The verified filings support the following findings and conclusions.

The application asks to change the supplier for four structures in Clinton County and Caldwell County that constitute an industrial park. The industrial park is within the City's boundaries and the City owns it, but the Coop supplies the structures through a singlephase line. One structure has a commercial tenant who wants a three-phase line to expand its business. That upgraded service is more economical for the City to supply than the Coop. Therefore, the Commission concludes that granting the application is in the public interest, without regard to any rate differential,⁵ and the Commission will grant the application.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Joint Application for Change of Electric Supplier is granted.
- 2. This order shall become effective on June 5, 2018.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Hall, Chm., Kenney, Rupp, Coleman, and Silvey, CC., concur.

Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

⁵ Nothing in the file shows that any rate differential is relevant to the application.

⁴ Section 394.315.2, RSMo 2016.

STATE OF MISSOURI

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 24th day of May 2018.

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION May 24, 2018

File/Case No. EO-2018-0276

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

Sincerely,

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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