

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

STATE OF MISSOURI

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE

In the Matter of the Territorial)
Agreement Application of Central)
Missouri Electric Cooperative, Inc.) Case No.
for Approval of Designated Service) EO-2026-0070
Boundaries Within Portions of)
Pettis County, Missouri)

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2026

9:00 a.m.

Jefferson City, MO

via WebEx

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RON PRIDGIN, Presiding
Deputy Chief Regulator Judge

Kayla Hahn, Chair,
Maida J. Coleman,
Glen Kolkmeier,
John Mitchell,
Commissioners

1 THE COURT: Good morning, Counsel. I, I
2 see that it's 9:00. I, I think we're still perhaps
3 waiting on Counsel from Staff, unless you've heard from,
4 from them and they've asked to, to go ahead without us.
5 Has anyone heard anything like that?

6 MR. BAILEY: I have not, Your Honor.

7 THE COURT: All right. Let me, let me
8 give Staff at least a few more minutes and if, if they
9 don't join in, we'll, we'll get started here in about
10 five minutes one way or the other. Right. Thank you,
11 Counsel. Do we need to wait on anyone else before we
12 begin?

13 MR. BAILEY: Nobody from the company,
14 Judge.

15 THE COURT: Very good. If everyone's
16 ready, we'll, we'll get started. We'll just be a few
17 minutes, I think. Good morning, this is the prehearing
18 conference in the matter of the territorial agreement
19 application of Central Missouri Electric Cooperative,
20 Inc., for approval of designated service boundaries
21 within portions of Pettis County, Missouri.

22 This is case number E0-2026-0070. I'm
23 Ronald Pridgin. I'm a Regulatory Law Judge at the
24 Commission. We are having a prehearing conference or
25 procedural conference over WebEx. It's July 30th, 2026,

1 and the time is about 9:05 a.m. I would like to get
2 entries of appearance from Counsel, please. And let me
3 begin with Central Missouri Electric Cooperative,
4 please.

5 MR. SPORLEDER: Yes, this is Andrew
6 Sporleder on behalf of Central Missouri.

7 THE COURT: Mr. Sporleder, thank you.
8 Any entry on behalf of Evergy Missouri West, please?

9 MR. BAILEY: Yes, thank you, Judge. Cole
10 Bailey on behalf of Evergy Missouri West.

11 THE COURT: Mr. Bailey, thank you. Any
12 entry on behalf of the Commission Staff?

13 MR. CUNNEEN: Good morning, Judge. Ray
14 Cunneen on behalf of Staff.

15 THE COURT: Mr. Cunneen, thank you. Any
16 entry on behalf of the Office of the Public Counsel?

17 MR. WILLIAMS: Nathan Williams, chief
18 deputy public counsel, appearing on behalf of the Office
19 of Public Counsel and the public.

20 THE COURT: Mr. Williams, thank you.
21 Have I overlooked anyone? All right, I'm going to be
22 very brief and, and thank you all for appearing today
23 and, and hopefully you can talk and try to figure out
24 how this case should proceed. Normally, I ask for some
25 sort of pleading within about a week or so from a, a

1 procedural conference, whether it be a procedural
2 schedule or status report or, or something like that.
3 Does anyone have any concerns with, with filing some
4 sort of pleading like that a week from today, which I
5 think would be August 6th, if I'm getting, getting my
6 math right. Any concerns with filing something by
7 August 6th?

8 MR. CUNNEEN: Nothing from Staff, Judge.

9 THE COURT: All right, not hearing any
10 objections. So, I'll follow up with a written order as
11 well. So, you'll have it, you know, for your records
12 and we have it in the, in the docket. Otherwise, I'm
13 just going to leave you to talk and, and hope to hear
14 from you in about a week. Before I drop off the call,
15 is there anything you'd like to bring to my attention or
16 anything I can do for you?

17 MR. WILLIAMS: Judge, this is Nathan
18 Williams for Public Counsel. I'd like to make an oral
19 motion to dismiss for failure of the applicants to
20 include the required fee.

21 THE COURT: All right, Mr. Williams,
22 thank you. And I'll certainly give Counsel a chance to
23 respond to that. I'm not going to rule on anything
24 today. You can respond in writing if you'd like. And
25 again, that's something I hope that can be addressed

1 with your August 6th pleading or pleadings, whatever
2 that might be. And Mr. Williams, thank you. Anything
3 else I can do for you? I'm not hearing anything, so I'm
4 going to drop off the call and let you talk. And I will
5 look to hear something from you in about the next week
6 or so. So, Counsel, thank you so much. Hope you have a
7 good day.

8 MR. WILLIAMS: Thank you, Judge.

9 MR. BAILEY: Thank you, Judge.

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