

**ARKANSAS PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
QUARTERLY RATE CASE REPORT
PURSUANT TO ARK. CODE ANN. § 23-4-420
FOR THE QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**

DOCKET: 21-070-U

COMPANY: Southwestern Electric Power Company

CASE STYLE: IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF A GENERAL CHANGE IN RATES AND TARIFFS

CASE FILED: July 23, 2021

**APPLICATION
SUMMARY:**

Company's current authorized retail revenue requirement is \$179,621,123. The retail revenue requirement requested is \$264,167,767. The percentage increase by rate class, including fuel is:

Residential 17.4%
General Service 4.9%
Lighting & Power Secondary 12.6%
Lighting & Power Primary 7.2%
Lighting & Power TOU 5.6%
Total Industrial Transmission 3.3%
Municipal 11.8%
Private, Outdoor, & Area Lighting -4.7% (decrease)
Municipal Street & Public Street & Hwy Lighting -2.3% (decrease)
Total Retail 12.2%

The estimated monthly impact on an average residential customer is \$18.89, or 17%, for 1000 kWh.

The current authorized return on equity is 9.45% and the overall rate of return is 4.93%. The requested return on equity is 10.35% and the requested overall rate of return is 5.69%.

SWEPSCO notified the Commission of its re-election to implement a Formula Rate Review Rider pursuant to Act 725 of 2015. The Formula Rate Plan, Act 725 of 2015, provides for a 4% adjustment to base rates annually.

STATUS: General Staff and other Intervenors are in the process of analyzing SWEPSCO's filing and developing and preparing Direct Testimony.

**PROCEDURAL
SCHEDULE:**

Per Order No. 6 issued September 14, 2021

Staff and Intervenor Direct Testimony: December 7, 2021

Company Rebuttal Testimony: January 13, 2022

Staff and Intervenor Surrebuttal Testimony: February 17, 2022

Company Sur-Surrebuttal Testimony: February 24, 2022

Settlement or Issues List: March 4, 2022

Opposition to Settlement: March 8, 2022

Evidentiary Hearing: March 15 – 16, 2022 9:30 a.m.

Arkansas Public Service Commission

1000 Center Street

Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Public Comment Hearing(s): March 29, 2022 and March 31, 2022
(Locations to be determined)

**STATUTORY FINAL
ORDER DEADLINE:**

May 23, 2022

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DOCKET: 20-001-U

COMPANY: Ashley-Chicot Electric Cooperative, Inc.

CASE STYLE: IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ASHLEY-CHICOT ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF A GENERAL CHANGE IN RATES, CHARGES, AND TARIFFS

CASE FILED: November 30, 2020

**APPLICATION
SUMMARY:**

Company's current authorized retail revenue requirement is \$10,141,505. The retail revenue requirement requested is \$10,603,309, an approximate 4.55% increase. The percentage increase by rate class is:

Residential 5.0%
Outdoor Lighting 4.58%
Small Commercial 10.0%
New Medium Commercial 10.0%
Irrigation 1.79%
Large Power 3.38%
Optional Irrigation 10.0%
Park Service .02%

The estimated monthly impact on average residential customer is \$6.81 or 6.1%.

**PROCEDURAL
SCHEDULE:**

Per Order No. 3 issued on March 3, 2021 and Order No. 5 issued on May 25, 2021:

Staff and Intervenor Direct Testimony: April 20, 2021
Company Rebuttal Testimony: June 15, 2021
Staff and Intervenor Surrebuttal Testimony: June 29, 2021
Company Sur-Surrebuttal Testimony: Wednesday, July 7, 2021
Settlement or Issues List: July 16, 2021
Opposition to Settlement: July 21, 2021
Evidentiary Hearing: July 28, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.
Arkansas Public Service Commission
1000 Center Street
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Public Comment Hearing per Order No. 9 issued on July 28, 2021:
August 17, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
Office of Ashley-Chicot Electric Cooperative
307 East Jefferson Street
Hamburg, Arkansas 71646

STATUTORY FINAL

ORDER DEADLINE: September 30, 2021

**COMMISSION
FINDINGS:**

On September 27, 2021, after public hearings, the Commission approved the *Settlement Agreement* submitted by the parties which provided a total rate schedule revenue requirement of \$10,119,875.

The estimated monthly impact on average residential customer is \$5.51 or 4.62%.

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DOCKET: 15-002-U

COMPANY: Black Hills Energy Arkansas, Inc.

CASE STYLE: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR GENERAL CHANGE OR MODIFICATION IN RATES, CHARGES, AND TARIFFS, TO BE FILED BY BLACK HILLS ENERGY ARKANSAS, INC.

NOTICE OF INTENT FILED: September 20, 2021

Ark. Code Ann. § 23-4-401 requires utilities to notify the Commission of its intention to file an application for a general change or modification in its rates and charges at least sixty (60) days but no earlier than ninety (90) days before an application is filed.

CASE SUMMARY: Black Hills Energy Arkansas, Inc. (BHEA) filed its notice of intent to file a General Rate Change Application. BHEA seeks an increase in rates in an unspecified amount. This amount will be clarified once the Application is filed.

STATUS: Filing of Application due November 19 to December 19, 2021.

PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE: Procedural schedule to be established after application files.

STATUTORY FINAL ORDER DEADLINE: To be determined after application files.

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