

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Proposed Amendments)
to 4 CSR 240-20.060, Filing Requirements)
for Electric Utility Cogeneration)

File No. EX-2020-0006

ORDER DIRECTING STAFF RESPONSE

Issue Date: July 24, 2020

Effective Date: July 24, 2020

The Commission opened this rulemaking to modify the Commission's rules regarding electric utility cogeneration and net metering. A rulemaking hearing is set for August 11, 2020. It has come to the Commission's attention that on July 16, 2020, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission issued Order No. 872, which directed a final rule revising sections of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA) be published in the Federal Register. An update to PURPA may potentially effect cogeneration rules in the future.

Accordingly, the Commission will request input from its Staff as to whether it supports continuing with this rulemaking or believes it would be more beneficial to reconsider the proposed amendments in a new workshop. As the period for written comments is ongoing, any interested stakeholder shall have until the end of that period – July 31, 2020 – to file written comments regarding all aspects of the rulemaking, including whether they wish to proceed with the rulemaking or reconsider it in a new workshop proceeding. Comments may also be offered at the August 11, 2020 rulemaking hearing.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. No later than July 29, 2020, Staff shall submit a filing indicating if it supports continuing with this rulemaking or prefers reconsidering the proposed rule in a new

workshop. If appropriate, Staff shall identify any statute or federal law that impacts its decision.

2. This order is effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

John T. Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 24th day of July, 2020.