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APPLICATION OF SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY FOR AUTHORITY TO CHANGE RATES

BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE

OF

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

SOAH ORDER NO. 16 GRANTING SPS'S UNOPPOSED MOTION TO EXTEND ABATEMENT

On May 1, 2020, Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) filed an unopposed motion requesting that the Administrative Law Judges (ALJs) extend the current abatement of the procedural schedule to May 6, 2020, and indicated that, on that date, SPS will file either a final settlement package or a status report (the Motion). SPS stated that the parties have reached an unopposed agreement in principle, that the parties continue to discuss certain party-specific issues, and that the parties understand that any such unresolved issues can be severed into another docket, eliminating any need for a hearing in this matter.

The Motion is **GRANTED**. Accordingly, the procedural schedule and all deadlines, including deadlines to propound discovery or to respond to discovery requests and motions to compel, are abated until May 6, 2020. Furthermore, on that same date, SPS **SHALL** file either a final settlement package or, if the settlement has not yet been finalized, a status report sufficient to notify the ALJs as to the status of the parties' agreement in principle and the status of any proposals regarding how to address any remaining contested issues.

SIGNED May 6, 2020.

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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