## BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
OKLAHOMA GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY
FOR AN ORDER OF THE COMMISSION
AUTHORIZING APPLICANT TO MODIFY ITS
RATES, CHARGES, AND TARIFFS FOR RETAIL
ELECTRIC SERVICE IN OKLAHOMA

**CAUSE NO. PUD 201700496** 



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**SUMMARY TESTIMONY** 

**OF** 

DAVID MELVIN

MAY 7, 2018

1	Mr. David Melvin is employed by the Public Utility Division ("PUD") of the Oklahoma
2	Corporation Commission ("Commission") as a Public Utility Regulatory Analyst. On
3	January 16, 2018 Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company ("OG&E" or "Company") filed
4	its Application for an order of the Commission authorizing applicant to modify its rates,
5	charges, and tariffs for retail electric service in Oklahoma. Mr. Melvin filed Responsive
6	Testimony on May 2, 2017. The purpose of his Responsive Testimony was to present
7	PUD's recommendations concerning Cause No. PUD 201700496.
8	Mr. Melvin's testimony focused on the following areas of the Application:
9	(1) Depreciation Expenses, Accumulated Depreciation, and Adjustments: including
10	Acquisition Adjustments, Adjustments for Accumulated Depreciation during the test year,
11	and Adjustments for Depreciation Differential.
12	(2) Plant in Service and Adjustments: Arkansas Allowance for Funds Used During
13	Construction ("AFUDC"), Adjustment to Plant in Service for Construction Work in
14	Progress ("CWIP") to six-month post test year, Reimbursable Projects, Holding Company
15	Assets, and Plant Held for Future Use ("PHFU").
16	(3) Electric System Operation and Maintenance ("O&M") Expenses: Non-Fuel O&M in
17	WP H-3, Summary of Operating Expenses
18	Mr. Melvin testified that PUD reviewed OG&E's Application and Direct Testimony, prior
19	rate causes, relevant statutes, and Commission rules. PUD issued multiple data requests

and reviewed the responses. PUD also reviewed the data requests and responses issued
by intervenors. Additionally, PUD reviewed Company workpapers, general ledgers,
invoices, and other supporting documentation. PUD performed trend analyses on Plant in
Service, Plant Operation and Maintenance ("O&M") Expense, and Plant Depreciation.
PUD conducted multiple onsite audits at the Company's corporate office in Oklahoma
City, Oklahoma, and interviewed Company personnel regarding areas under review.
PUD attended tours at the Mustang Power Plant, McClain Power Plant, and Sooner Power
Plant. PUD also toured substation, transmission, and distribution projects in progress.

Mr. Melvin testified that after PUD's review, PUD recommends the Commission accept the Company's Adjustments included in the Application for the following areas: Acquisition Adjustments, Accumulated Depreciation, Depreciation Differential, Arkansas AFUDC, Reimbursable Projects, Holding Company Assets, PHFU, and Non-Fuel O&M. PUD recommends two adjustments to Rate Base for six-month post test year updates: (1) PUD recommends Adjustment B-6 to reflect six-month post test year activity which increases the pro forma Total Utility Plant in Service included in Schedule B-2 of the Application by \$6,896,920 for Construction Work in Progress projects completed by March 31, 2018; (2) PUD recommends PUD Adjustment B-12 to decrease rate base by \$11,419,714 for Accumulated Depreciation for the six-month post test year period. These amounts were included in the updated schedules provided by OG&E in responses to Data Request AG 12-3 on April 17, 2018. PUD also recommends PUD Adjustment H-12 which decreases Revenue Requirements by \$3,368,275 for Depreciation Expense in

- accordance with six-month post test year updates provided by OG&E in response to Data
  Request AG 12-3.
- Finally, Mr. Melvin testified that PUD believes these recommendations are fair, just, reasonable, and in the public interest.

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2018, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing was sent **electronically**, addressed to the following:

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