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7 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
8 TRICO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. FOR
9 APPROVAL OF A NEW NET-METERING
10 TARIFF, THE PARTIAL WAIVER OF THE
COMMISSION'S NET METERING RULES AND
A REVISED AVOIDED COST RATE IN THE
COMPANY'S EXISTING NET METERING
TARIFF.

DOCKET NO. E-01461A-15-0057

PROCEDURAL ORDER

11 **BY THE COMMISSION:**

12 On February 26, 2015, Trico Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Trico" or "Company") filed an
13 Application for Approval of Net Metering Tariffs and Partial Waiver of the Net Metering Rules.

14 On March 3, 2015, Trico filed a Notice of Waiver of any 30-day "time clock" that would
15 apply to the Application.

16 On March 11, 2015, Trico filed a Request for Expedited Consideration and Procedural
17 Conference. Trico seeks quick resolution of its request to avoid new Distributed Generation members
18 experiencing tariff changes and to mitigate increases in lost fixed revenue recovery and cost shifting.
19 Trico expressed the belief that the focus of the application is a policy issue and that a hearing is not
20 necessary, but that in the event the Commission believed that a hearing is required, Trico requested
21 expedited consideration.
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23 On March 19, 2015, the Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") filed a Response to Trico's
24 Request for Procedural Order. Staff did not believe that Trico's Application could be decided
25 without a hearing, and recommended that if Trico does not amend its Application by withdrawing all
26 but the avoided cost reset portion, a hearing should be scheduled. Staff proposed the following
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1 schedule:

2 Trico's Direct Testimony and Exhibits April 17, 2015

3 Staff's and Intervenors' Direct Testimony May 20, 2015

4 Trico's Rebuttal Testimony June 3, 2015

5 Hearing – as soon as practical following Rebuttal Testimony

6 On March 26, 2015, Trico filed a Reply to Staff's Response. Trico indicates that it will
7 proceed in this docket and not withdraw any part of the application and does not oppose a hearing,
8 only that a hearing not be conducted in "conjunction with hearings on any other similar applications."
9 Trico does not object to Staff's proposed schedule,¹ and requests a Procedural Order be issued
10 promptly setting forth the public notice requirements.
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12 Intervention was granted to Arizona Solar Deployment Alliance ("ASDA") on March 18,
13 2015, and to Mohave Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("MEC") and The Alliance for Solar Choice
14 ("TASC") on March 23, 2015.
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16 On March 17 and 18, 2015, Navopache Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("NEC") and Robert B.
17 Hall, Ph.D. ("Hall"), respectively, filed Applications to Intervene.²

18 Intervention has been granted to various interested parties. Given the interest in, and nature of
19 Trico's application, the matter should be set for hearing. A Procedural Conference to discuss the
20 hearing schedule and public notice will benefit the process. Trico and Staff may expedite the process
21 by preparing a form of public notice for consideration by the Administrative Law Judge, and all
22 parties should check their calendars for availability for a hearing on June 10-12 and/or June 15-16,
23 2015.
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25 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that a **Procedural Conference** shall convene on **April 2,**
26 **2015, at 11:00 a.m.,** or as soon thereafter as is practical, at the Commission's Tucson offices, **Room**
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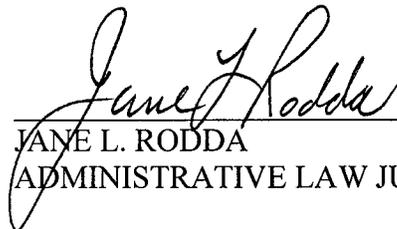
28 ¹ Trico witnesses and/or counsel are not available during the period June 17, 2015 through July 13, 2015.

² Any objection to these intervention requests are due March 27 and 30, 2015, respectively.

1 222, 400 West Congress, Tucson, Arizona 85701. The parties may appear telephonically by
2 using the following conference line: 1-888-450-5996, code 457395#.³

3 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Presiding Officer may rescind, alter, amend, or waive
4 any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at hearing.

5 DATED this 27th day of March, 2015.

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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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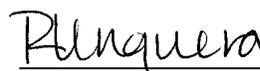
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³ NEC and Hall are invited to participate.