AFFIDAVIT OF ANDREA WALKER

CAME BEFORE, the undersigned attesting officer, Andrea Walker. who, being duly sworn, deposed and stated as follows:

1.

My name is Andrea Walker. I am over the age of eighteen, suffer from no legal disabilities and am able to give this Affidavit.

2.

I am the Vice President of Marketing and Administration and have been duly authorized by Sumter EMC's Board of Directors to prepare this Affidavit and cause it to be submitted with a request that the PSC acknowledge that the submitted materials contain information that constitute trade secrets covered by Article 27 of Chapter 1 of Title 10.

3.

The mailing address for Sumter EMC is: PO BOX 1048, Americus, Georgia 31709-1048.

4.

I hereby verify and affirm the following, as required by O.C.G.A. §50-18-72(a)(34):

(a) Sumter EMC is filing its tariff designated: IEP-H, Contract Service for Indexed Energy Pricing.

(b) The information which has been redacted from the enclosed "PUBLIC DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT" (hereinafter, the "trade secrets") constitute a trade secret covered by Article 27 of Chapter 1 of Title 10.

(c) The legal and factual basis for Sumter EMC's assertion that the protected information is a trade secret includes, among other things, the following:

(1) The trade secrets are of great economic value to Sumter EMC by virtue of its not being generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable by proper means by, other persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use.

(2) Maintaining the confidentiality of the trade secrets is of commercial value to Sumter EMC because, among other reasons:

I. The information could be used by competitors to determine Sumter EMC's cost of power and may be detrimental to the Cooperative when seeking to acquire competitive retail electric service contracts in the future.

(3) Other persons can obtain economic value from the disclosure of the trade secrets by, among other things:

I. Knowledge of the trade secrets could permit other energy suppliers to undercut Sumter EMC's pricing, fee structure or service terms within this rate classification.

(4) Sumter EMC uses the following procedures, among others, to maintain the secrecy of the trade secrets:

I. Sumter EMC uses nondisclosure agreements and limits the distribution of the trade secrets to only those who need the information for the benefit of Sumter EMC, and who have agreed not to use or distribute the information to others.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this information, including accompanying documents, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information is true, correct, and complete.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Andrea Walker

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Sumter EMC

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

27 day of November, 2024.

NOTARY PUBLIC

JENNIFER LYNN STOKES NOTARY PUBLIC TERRELL COUNTY, GA EXPIRES GEORGIA July 10th, 2028

My Commission Expires:

July 10th, 2028