

17-4654. Powers. (a) In addition to the powers conferred on all corporations under article 61 of chapter 17 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, a cooperative organized under the renewable energy electric generation cooperative act shall have power to:

- (1) Sue and be sued in its corporate name;
- (2) have perpetual existence;
- (3) adopt a corporate seal and alter the same;
- (4) generate, either as the cooperative or as individual members of the cooperative, electricity from renewable resources or technologies and transmit and sell such electricity at wholesale;
- (5) sell renewable attributes of the cooperative or of members of the cooperative;
- (6) construct, purchase, lease, equip, maintain and operate, and to sell, assign, convey, lease, mortgage, pledge or encumber electric transmission lines or systems, electric generating plants, and lands, buildings, structures, easements and rights-of-way and equipment, and any other real or personal property, tangible or intangible, necessary to accomplish the purpose for which the cooperative may be organized hereunder;
- (7) purchase, lease as lessee or otherwise acquire, and use, and exercise and to sell, assign, convey, mortgage, pledge or otherwise dispose of or encumber, franchises, rights, privileges, licenses and easements;
- (8) borrow money and otherwise contract indebtedness, and to issue notes, bonds and other evidences of indebtedness, and to secure the payment thereof by mortgage, pledge, or deed of trust of, or any other encumbrance upon, any or all of its then-owned or after-acquired real or personal property, assets, franchises, revenues or income;
- (9) construct, maintain and operate electric transmission lines along, upon, under and across publicly owned lands and public thoroughfares, roads, highways, streets, alleys, bridges and causeways in conformity with the laws of the state of Kansas;
- (10) become an incorporator, promoter, manager, member, stockholder or owner of other corporations or cooperatives, and conduct its business and exercise its powers within this state and to participate with other persons in any corporation, limited liability company, cooperative, partnership, limited partnership, joint venture or other association of any kind, or in any transaction, undertaking or arrangement which the participating person would have power to conduct by itself, whether or not such participation involves sharing or delegation of control with or to others;
- (11) adopt, amend and repeal bylaws; and
- (12) do and perform any other acts and things, and to have and exercise any other powers which may be necessary, to accomplish the purpose for which the cooperative is organized.

(b) No cooperative organized under the renewable energy electric generation cooperative act nor any member of such cooperative shall:

- (1) Enter into any contract for parallel generation services pursuant to K.S.A. 66-1,184, and amendments thereto, with regard to power generated by such cooperative or member from renewable resources;
- (2) sell electricity at retail or have a certificated territory in this state;
- (3) transfer or distribute electricity to any other member of the cooperative; or
- (4) resell electricity provided to the cooperative or member by the cooperative's or member's provider of last resort.

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