# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K

### CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 25, 2024

## TRI-STATE GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION ASSOCIATION, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Colorado**(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

333-212006 (Commission File Number) 84-0464189

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1100 W. 116th Avenue Westminster , Colorado

80234

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (303) 452-6111

#### None

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

	Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each evelone
	Securities registered pursuant to Section 12	2(b) of the Act:	
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))		
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))		
	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)		
Ш	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)		

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which
		registered
None	None	None

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company  $\square$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

### Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 25, 2024, we certified the election by our utility member, Gunnison County Electric Association, Inc., of Morgan Weinberg to replace Mark Daily as the director representing them on our Board of Directors. Mr. Weinberg will serve on the External Affairs-Member Relations Committee.

### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

In September 2021, we filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") a modified contract termination payment methodology tariff as Rate Schedule No. 281 that provides a process should a utility member of us elect to withdraw from membership in us and terminate its wholesale electric service contract with us. The tariff process includes requirements for a two-year notice and the payment of a contract termination payment to us. In October 2021, FERC accepted the modified contract termination payment methodology, to be effective November 1, 2021, subject to refund. FERC set the matter for hearing and instituted a concurrent Federal Power Act section 206 proceeding to determine the justness and reasonableness of the modified methodology.

A hearing on the modified contract termination payment methodology occurred in May 2022 before an administrative law judge at FERC. On September 29, 2022, the administrative law judge issued an initial decision that endorsed the FERC trial staff modified balance sheet approach methodology ("Initial Decision"). In October 2022, we and other parties filed exceptions to the Initial Decision.

On December 19, 2023, FERC issued an order on the Initial Decision and affirmed in part, reversed in part, modified in part, and clarified the Initial Decision in part. Generally, FERC adopted a further modified version of FERC trial staff's modified balance sheet approach methodology, referred to as the Adopted BSA.

On March 25, 2024, La Plata Electric Association, Inc. ("LPEA") provided us a non-conditional two-year notice of intent to withdraw from membership in us, with an April 1, 2026 withdrawal effective date.

On March 25, 2024, we issued a press statement related to LPEA's notice of intent to withdraw from us. A copy of the press statement is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 and Exhibit 99.1 is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. In addition, the information contained in this Item 7.01 and Exhibit 99.1 shall not be incorporated by reference into any of our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other document except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing or document.

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

Certain statements included in this Current Report on Form 8-K that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements for purposes of the safe harbor provisions under the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements generally are accompanied by words such as "believe," "may," "will," "estimate," "continue," "anticipate," "intend," "expect," "should," "would," "plan," "predict," "potential," "seem," "seek," "future," "outlook," "project," and similar expressions that predict or indicate future events or trends or that are not statements of historical matters. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the scope and the amount of any contract termination payment and whether LPEA will withdraw. These statements are based on various assumptions, whether or not identified in this Current Report on or the exhibit hereto, and on the current expectations of management and are not predictions of actual events.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 - Our Press Statement issued on March 25, 2024

### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

TRI-STATE GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION ASSOCIATION, INC.

Date: March 26, 2024 By: /s/ Todd E. Telesz

Todd E. Telesz

Senior Vice President/Chief Financial Officer