## 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): August 3, 2015

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

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**COLORADO** (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

333-203560 (Commission File Number)

84-0464189 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1100 W. 116th Avenue Westminster, Colorado (Address of principal executive offices)

80234 (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: ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

Our member, Springer Electric Cooperative, Inc., as required by our bylaws, provided certification to us that effective August 1, 2015 such member has elected Donald Schutz to replace Gerald Seward as the director representing such member on our Board of Directors. Mr. Schutz will serve on the External Affairs-Member Relations Committee.

#### **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 hereunto duly authorized.

# TRI-STATE GENERATION AND TRANSMISSION ASSOCIATION, INC.

Date: August 3, 2015	Ву:	/s/ Patrick L. Bridges
	_	Patrick L. Bridges Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
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