### 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 8, 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

(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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

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  $\Box$ 

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.  $\Box$ 

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

As previously disclosed in our Current Report on Form 8-K, dated August 24, 2023, on August 24, 2023, Patrick L. Bridges, our Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, informed us that he intends to retire in March 2024 after more than 17 years of service to us.

On March 8, 2024, Mr. Bridges retired as an employee of ours. In connection with his retirement, we agreed with Mr. Bridges to retain him for on-going consulting services to us through March 1, 2025 for those matters he was involved with, or had knowledge of, prior to his retirement. The consulting services are limited to 500 hours during the consulting term. As compensation for such services, we will pay him a consulting fee of \$250,000 that will be paid at the conclusion of the consulting term. For any services more than 500 hours, we will pay him a consulting fee of \$500 per hour.

#### 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 11, 2024

By: /s/ Todd E. Telesz

Todd E. Telesz Senior Vice President/Chief Financial Officer