

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Great Plains Energy, Inc.'s)
Acquisition of Westar Energy, Inc.,)
and Related Matters) File No. EM-2016-0324

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR INTERVENTION

Issue Date: June 9, 2016

Effective Date: June 9, 2016

The Commission is denying the *Application to Intervene and Motion for Expedited Treatment* (“motion”)¹ of Midwest Energy Consumers Group (“MECG”). The Commission’s regulation on intervention allows for MECG to intervene under two conditions: either MECG:

- (A) . . . has an interest which is different from that of the general public and which may be adversely affected by a final order arising from the case; or
- (B) Granting the proposed intervention would serve the public interest. [²]

MECG suggests that its intervention “will serve the public interest by assisting the record for the Commission’s decision in this case.”

This file includes no record, will result in no decision, and does not constitute a “case” in the sense of adjudicating Great Plains Energy, Inc.'s acquisition of Westar Energy, Inc. This file simply assists Staff in conducting its investigation. The Commission will deny the motion. If a complaint, application, or other action to adjudicate that transaction comes before the Commission, MECG may be able to show grounds for intervention in such action.

¹ Electronic Filing and Information System (“EFIS”) No.10 (June 9, 2016).

² Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(3)

But, as to this file, MEGG offers no interest different from that of the general public. That interest is adequately protected by the investigative authority set forth by statute. Therefore, the Commission will deny the motion.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The *Application to Intervene and Motion for Expedited Treatment* is denied.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Daniel Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 9th day of June, 2016.