

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.

In the Matter of the Application of Kansas City Power & Light Company for Authority to Extend The Transfer of Functional Control of Certain Transmission Assets to the Southwest Power Pool, Inc. )  
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**File No. EO-2012-0135**

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO RELIEVE KCP&L AND GMO  
OF STIPULATION REQUIREMENTS**

Issue Date: September 14, 2016

Effective Date: October 1, 2016

On August 22, 2016, Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCP&L) and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (GMO) jointly filed a motion to modify the Commission approved requirements in stipulations and agreements in the above-captioned matter. Specifically, KCP&L and GMO requested that the Commission modify previously approved stipulations so that these companies are no longer required to perform an analysis and to produce a 2017 Interim Report from that analysis as previously ordered. The companies pled that the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), the Office of the Public Counsel, Southwest Power Pool, and Dogwood Energy, LLC, each indicated that they did not object to the motion.

The Commission set a time for responses to the motion and received only a response from Staff. On September 2, 2016, Staff filed its response in which it set out the communications regarding this issue that had taken place among the various

parties. Staff's response was in support of granting the motion. No objections to the motion were received.

The approved Stipulation and Agreements contain provisions (Section II.E(1)) requiring KCP&L and GMO to conduct a study examining continued participation in a regional transmission organization or its operation under an independent coordinator of transmission. A deadline of June 30, 2017 was set for the completion and submission of the study which is being referred to as the "2017 Interim Report."

The companies reported that they provided a proposal of how the study might be conducted along with a \$600,000 estimate of the cost of the study, not including labor. Additionally, the companies reported an estimated exit fee provided by the Southwest Power Pool (SPP), positive cost/benefit results from an SPP "Value of Transmission" report, and positive cost/benefit results from SPP's Regional Cost Allocation Review (RCAR II) report. Further, the companies and Staff noted that cost/benefit studies are an analysis item that Staff intends to raise in the context of KCPL and GMO's next continuing application for participation in the SPP. That application is to be filed no later than June 30, 2017 according to the Stipulation and Agreements. The companies argue that as a result of the estimated cost to complete the 2017 Interim Report coupled with the positive cost/benefit results in the two reports, the 2017 Interim Report should not be completed at this time.

Based on these facts, the Commission will grant the motion.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. Kansas City Power & Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's motion to modify stipulations and agreements in consolidated Case Nos. EO-2012-0135 and EO-2012-0136 is granted.

2. Kansas City Power & Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company are excused from the requirement to perform an analysis needed to produce a 2017 Interim Report as required by Section II.E of the approved Stipulation and Agreement in consolidated Case Nos. EO-2012-0135 and EO-2012-0136.

3. Kansas City Power & Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company are excused from the requirement to produce a 2017 Interim Report as required by Section II.E(4) and Attachment A of the approved Stipulation and Agreement in consolidated Case Nos. EO-2012-0135 and EO-2012-0136.

4. This order shall become effective on October 1, 2016.

5. These cases may be closed on October 2, 2016.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Stoll, Kenney, Rupp, and  
Coleman, CC., concur.  
Hall, Chm., absent.

Dippell, Regulatory Law Judge