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TRUE-UP DIRECT TESTIMONY

**OF** 

**MATTHEW J. BARNES** 

KANSAS CITY POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY

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3		MATTHEW J. BARNES
4		KANSAS CITY POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY
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6	Q.	Please state your name.
7	Α.	My name is Matthew J. Barnes.
8	Q.	Are you the same Matthew J. Barnes who filed direct, rebuttal, and surrebuttal
9	testimony in t	this proceeding for the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff)?
10	A.	Yes, I am.
11	Q.	In your direct testimony, did you provide your expert opinion on what you
12	considered to	be a fair and reasonable rate-of-return on the Missouri jurisdictional electric
13	utility rate ba	se for Kansas City Power & Light (KCP&L or Company)?
14	A.	Yes, I did.
15	Q.	What is the purpose of your True-up Direct testimony?
16	Α.	The purpose of my True-up Direct testimony is to provide the Commission the
17	updated capi	tal structure, embedded cost of long-term debt and overall rate-of-return as of
18	September 30	), 2007 for KCP&L.
19	KCP&L'S C	CAPITAL STRUCTURE AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2007
20	Q.	Please explain Staff's updated capital structure.

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1	Α.	As of September 30, 2007, KCP&L's capital structure consisted of
2	57.62 percent	equity, 1.45 percent preferred stock, and 40.93 percent long-term debt. Please
3	see Schedule	1.
4	Q.	What was KCP&L's previous capital structure that you proposed?
5	A.	KCP&L's previous capital structure as of March 31, 2007 that Staff proposed
6	consisted of	66.01 percent equity, 1.67 percent preferred stock, and 32.32 percent long-term
7	debt.	
8	Q.	Did the embedded cost of long-term debt change as of September 30, 2007?
9	A.	Yes. KCP&L's embedded cost of long-term debt as of September 30, 2007,
0	was calculate	d by the company to be 5.93 percent. Please see Schedule 2.
1	Q.	What was KCP&L's previous embedded cost of long-term debt proposed by
12	Staff?	
13	A.	KCP&L's previous embedded cost of long-term debt as of March 31, 2007 as
14	calculated by	the company was 5.77 percent.
15	Q.	Why did KCP&L's embedded cost of long-term debt increase from
16	5.77 percent t	to 5.93 percent?
17	A.	KCP&L issued \$250 million of 5.85 percent Senior Notes on June 4, 2007.
18	Great Plains	Energy issued \$100 million of 6.88 percent Unsecured Senior Notes on
19	September 25	5, 2007. These debt issuances increased KCP&L's embedded cost of long-term
20	debt and long	-term debt ratio.
21	Q.	Why did Staff's rate-of-return decrease when the embedded cost of
22	long-term del	ot increased?

1	A. The increase in the Company's long-term debt ratio off-set the equity ratio in
2	the capital structure. Equity is more expensive than debt, therefore; in this case the lower
3	equity ratio in the capital structure resulted in a lower rate-of-return for KCP&L.
4	Q. Did the embedded cost of preferred stock change as of September 30, 2007?
5	A. No. The embedded cost of preferred stock as of September 30, 2007 remained
6	the same at 4.29 percent.
7	Q. Does Staff still recommend a return on equity in the range of 9.14 percent to
8	10.30 percent with a mid-point of 9.72 percent?
9	A. Yes. Please see Schedule 3.
10	SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS
11	Q. Please summarize the conclusions of your True-up Direct testimony.
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12 13	A. My recommended cost of common equity, which is in the range of 9.14 percent to 10.30 percent, would produce a fair and reasonable rate-of-return of
12 13 14	A. My recommended cost of common equity, which is in the range of 9.14 percent to 10.30 percent, would produce a fair and reasonable rate-of-return of 7.76 percent to 8.42 percent for KCP&L's Missouri jurisdictional electric utility rate base.

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## **OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of  Kansas City Power and Light Company for ) Case No. ER-2007-0291  Approval to Make Certain Changes in its )  Charges for Electric Service To Implement Its )  Regulatory Plan.
AFFIDAVIT OF MATTHEW J. BARNES
STATE OF MISSOURI ) ) ss. COUNTY OF COLE )
Matthew J. Barnes, being of lawful age, on his oath states: that he has participated in the preparation of the foregoing True-Up Direct Testimony in question and answer form, consisting of pages to be presented in the above case; that the answers in the following True-Up Direct Testimony were given by him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such answers; and that such matters are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of November, 2007.
D. SUZIE MANKIN Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri County of Cole My Commission Exp. 07/01/2008  Notary Public Notary Public

#### Kansas City Power and Light Company Case No. ER-2007-0291

#### Capital Structure as of September 30, 2007 Great Plains Energy

Capital Component	Dollar Amount	Percentage of Capital		
Common Stock Equity	\$ 1,553,527,000	57.62%		
Preferred Stock	\$ 39,000,000	1.45%		
Long-Term Debt	\$ 1,103,699,000	40.93%		
Short-Term Debt	\$ -	0.00%		
Total Capitalization	\$ 2,696,226,000	100.00%		

#### Electric Financial Ratio Benchmark Total Debt / Total Capital

Standard & Poor's Corporation's RatingsDirect, Revised Financial Guidelines as of June 2, 2004 BBB Credit Rating based on a "6" Business Profile

48% to 58%

Source: Email response from Christine Davidson with Kansas City Power and Light received 10/30/07.

#### Kansas City Power and Light ER-2007-0291

KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY AND GREAT PLAINS ENERGY Weighted Average Cost of Long-Term Debt Capital At September 30, 2007

		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	<b>(f)</b>	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
						Underwriters				Long-term	Annual Cost
		Initial	Date of	Date of	Price to	Discounts &	Issuance	Net Proceeds	Cost to	Debt Capital	of Long-term
Line		Offering	Offering	Maturity	Public	Commissions	Expense	to Company	Company	Outstanding	Debt Capital
KAN	ISAS CITY POWER & LIGHT ONLY										
	Pledged General Mortgage Bonds										
1	EIRR 1992 Series	\$31,000,000	9/15/1992	7/1/2017					4.080%	\$31,000,000	\$1,264,800
2	EIRR Hawthorn 1993 Series - 4.0% Coup-	\$12,366,000	10/14/1993	1/2/2012					4.202%	\$12,366,000	\$519,619
3	MATES Series 1993-A	\$40,000,000	12/7/1993	12/1/2023					3.994%	\$40,000,000	\$1,597,600
4	MATES Series 1993-B	\$39,480,000	12/7/1993	12/1/2023		•			3.984%	\$39,480,000	\$1,572,883
5	EIRR La Cygne 1994 Series - 4.05% Cou	\$13,982,500	2/23/1994	3/1/2015					4.245%	\$13,982,000	\$593,536
6	EIRR La Cygne 1994 Series - 4.65% Cou	\$21,940,000	2/23/1994	9/1/2035					4.813%	\$21,940,000	\$1,055,972
	Unsecured Notes										
7	Senior Notes Due 2017 - 5.85% Coupon (*	\$250,000,000	6/4/2007	6/15/2017	\$250,000,000	\$1,625,000	\$250,000	\$248,125,000	5.951%	\$250,000,000	\$14,876,484
8	Senior Notes Due 2011 - 6.5% Coupon (2)	\$150,000,000	3/20/2001	11/15/2011	\$150,000,000	\$1,198,500	\$50,000	\$148,751,500	6.615%	\$150,000,000	\$9,922,646
9	Senior Notes Due 2035 - 6.05% Coupon (	\$250,000,000	11/17/2005	11/15/2035	\$250,000,000	\$2,187,500	\$150,000	\$247,662,500	6.118%	\$250,000,000	\$15,296,070
	Environmental Improvement Revenue Re	funding Bonds									
10	Series 1998-A Due 2015-4,75% Coupon	\$56,500,000	8/11/1998	9/1/2015					4.776%	\$56,500,000	\$2,698,440
11	Series 1998-8 Due 2015-4,75% Coupon	\$50,000,000	8/11/1998	9/1/2015					4.774%	\$50,000,000	\$2,387,000
12	Series 1998-C Due 2035-4.65% Coupon	\$50,000,000	8/11/1998	9/1/2035					4.837%	\$50,000,000	\$2,418,500
13	Series 1998-D Due 2017-4.75% Coupon	\$40,000,000	8/11/1998	10/1/2017					4.774%	\$40,000,000	\$1,909,744
	Other Long-Term Debt										
14	Unamortized Discount on Senior Notes									(1,909,561)	\$0
15	Loss/(Gain) on Reacquired Debt									\$0	\$ 504,094
16	Weighted Cost of Interest Rate Managemen	t Products							-		\$1,728,954
17	Total KCP&L Long-Term Debt Capi	tal		A	t September 30, 20	107				\$1,003,358,439	\$58,346,344
18	KCP&L Weighted Avg. Cost of Long-Te	erm Debt Capital			At September 30,	2007		5.815%			

#### Kansas City Power and Light ER-2007-0291

KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY AND GREAT PLAINS ENERGY Weighted Average Cost of Long-Term Debt Capital

At September 30, 2007

Line	ISSUB EAT PLAINS ENERGY ONLY	(a) Initial Offering	(b) Date of Offering	(c)  Date of  Maturity	(d) Price to Public	(e) Underwriters Discounts & Commissions	(f) Issuance Expense	(g) Net Proceeds to Company	(h) Cost to Company	(i) Long-term Debt Capital Outstanding	(j) Annual Cost of Long-term Debt Capital
UKI	EAT PLAINS ENERGY UNLY										
1	Unsecured Notes Senior Notes Due 2017 - 6.875% Coupon	\$100,000,000	9/25/2007	9/15/2017	\$100,000,000	\$650,000	\$500,000	\$98,850,000	7.037%	\$100,000,000	\$7,037,102
2	Affordable Housing Notes Missouri Affordable Housing Fund IX - NDI	\$3,907,767	3/30/1999	10/1/2008					7.600%	\$856,132	\$65,066
3 4	Other Long-Term Debt Unamortized Discount on Senior Notes Weighted Cost of Interest Rate Managemen	nt Products								(\$516,000)	<b>\$7.450</b>
5	Total GPE Only Long-Term Debt Ca	apital		A	: September 30, 20	07				\$100,340,132	\$7,458 \$7,109,627
6	GPE Only Weighted Avg. Cost of Long	-Term Debt Capit	tal		At September 30,	2007		7.086%			
GRE	AT PLAINS ENERGY				<u> </u>						
7	Total GPE Long-Term Debt Capital			At	September 30, 20	07				\$1,103,698,571	\$65,455,970
8	GPE Weighted Avg. Cost of Long-Term	n Debt Capital			At September 30,	2007		5.931%			

<sup>(1)</sup> Expenses associated with the Senior Notes issue are being amortized over a 10 year period.

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<sup>(2)</sup> Expenses associated with the Senior Notes issue are being amortized over a 10 year period.

<sup>(3)</sup> Expenses associated with the Senior Notes are being amortized over a 30 year period.

<sup>(4)</sup> Expenses associated with the Senior Notes issue are being amortized over a 10 year period.

#### Kansas City Power and Light Company Case No. ER-2007-0291

# Weighted Cost of Capital as of September 30, 2007 for Kansas City Power and Light Company

## Weighted Cost of Capital Using Common Equity Return of:

Capital Component	Percentage of Capital	Embedded Cost	9.14%	9.72%	10.30%
Common Stock Equity	57.62% .		5.27%	5.60%	5.93%
Preferred Stock	1.45%	4.29%	0.06%	0.06%	0.06%
Long-Term Debt	40.93%	5.93%	2.43%	2.43%	2.43%
Short-Term Debt	0.00%				
Total	100.00%		7.76%	8.09%	8.42%

Notes:

See Schedule 9 for the Capital Structure Ratios.

Embedded Cost of Long-Term Debt and Embedded Cost of Preferred Stock Taken from Response to DR 0178.1.