## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Kansas City	)
Power & Light Company for Approval to Make	) Case No. ER-2006-0314
Certain Changes in its Charges for Electric	) Tariff No. YE-2006-0594
Service to Begin the Implementation of Its	)
Regulatory Plan	)

## ORDER AND NOTICE

Issue Date: February 3, 2006 Effective Date: February 3, 2006

On February 1, 2006, Kansas City Power & Light Company submitted to the Commission proposed tariff sheets intended to implement a general rate increase for electrical service provided in its Missouri service area. The proposed tariff sheets bear a requested effective date of January 1, 2007.

According to KCPL's press release attached to the application, the tariff sheets are designed to produce an annual increase of \$55 million in KCPL's Missouri jurisdictional revenues, which would be an 11.5 percent increase. Together with its proposed tariff sheets and other minimum filing requirements, KCPL also filed prepared direct testimony in support of its requested rate increase.

The Commission has reserved dates for a true-up hearing. The Commission notes that in Case No. EO-2005-0329, it approved of KCPL's agreement with signatories to a stipulation that the test year in this case would be based upon a historic test year ending December 31, 2005, (initially filed with nine months actual and three months budget data), updated for known and measurable changes as of June 30, 2005, with a true-up through

September 30, 2006, and with KCPL filing a reconciliation in the true-up proceeding on or about October 21, 2006.

The Commission will schedule the hearing dates in this order. By establishing the hearing dates now, the Commission will ensure that this matter is heard as expeditiously as possible. Additionally, the early establishment of the hearing dates will allow ample time for notice to be sent to customers. The Commission will also set an early prehearing conference and require the parties to file a proposed procedural schedule with additional filing dates for testimony, a second prehearing conference, local public hearings, the statement of issues and position papers of the parties, and the reconciliation. The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall have primary responsibility for the proposed procedural schedule. Staff should coordinate the proposed schedule with KCPL, the Office of the Public Counsel, and any intervenors, where possible.

The Commission finds that proper persons should be allowed 20 days from the issuance of this order to file a motion for leave to intervene. The Commission notes that in Case No. EO-2005-0329, KCPL agreed that the other signatories to the stipulation could intervene. The Commission therefore names each of the non-KCPL signatory parties from Case No. EO-2005-0329 intervenors. The Commission further notes that Sierra Club and Concerned Citizens of Platte County were parties to Case No. EO-2005-0329, but not signatories to the stipulation. The Commission's Data Center shall serve a copy of this order upon Sierra Club and Concerned Citizens of Platte County to give them notice and an opportunity to request intervention.

Furthermore, the Commission's Data Center shall serve a copy of this order upon the county commission of each county in KCPL's Missouri service area. In addition, the

Commission's Public Information Office shall make notice of this order available to the media serving KCPL's Missouri service area and to the members of the Missouri General Assembly representing the residents of the KCPL's service area.

The Commission will authorize Staff to file a complaint seeking a reduction in the Company's revenues if its audit reflects that the Company's earnings are excessive.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That any proper person or entity desiring to intervene in this matter shall file an application no later than February 23, 2006, with:

Colleen M. Dale, Secretary Missouri Public Service Commission Post Office Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

and send copies to:

James M. Fischer, Esq. Fischer & Dority. P.C. 101 Madison Street, Suite 400 Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Karl Zobrist, Esq. Sonnenschien Nath & Rosenthal, LLP 4520 Main Street, Suite 1100 Kansas City, Missouri 64111

and:

Office of the Public Counsel Post Office Box 2230 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

2. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, the Office of the Public Counsel, and any persons or entities requesting intervention shall file, on or before

March 6, 2006, a pleading either indicating concurrence in the recommended test year and true-up filings, or recommending alternatives to it.

- 3. That an early prehearing conference is hereby scheduled for this case on March 14, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. The early prehearing conference shall be held in Room 305 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If any person needs additional accommodations to participate in the prehearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the conference. Any party wishing to participate in the early prehearing conference by phone must notify the Presiding Judge no later than March 10, 2006.
- 4. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule as described in this order on or before March 21, 2006. The Commission Staff shall have primary responsibility for preparing and filing the proposed procedural schedule.
- 5. That the Commission shall conduct local public hearings on the proposed rate increase and shall set the times, dates and locations of these local public hearings in a subsequent order. The parties shall file recommendations as to the dates and locations for local public hearings in this case on or before March 28, 2006.
- 6. The Office of the Public Counsel shall file a proposed customer notice no later than March 28, 2006. Any party may object to that proposed notice no later than April 4, 2006.
- 7. That an evidentiary hearing is hereby scheduled for this case as follows: September 5 through 8 and September 11 through 15, 2006. The hearing shall commence

at 8:30 a.m. on September 5, 2006. The evidentiary hearing shall be held in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If any person needs additional accommodations to participate in the hearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.

- 8. That November 6-7, 2006, are reserved for a true-up hearing in this case, in the event that such a hearing is requested and the Commission grants the request. The true-up hearing shall be held in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If any person needs additional accommodations to participate in the hearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.
- 9. That the Data Center of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall serve a copy of this order upon the county commission of each county affected by the tariff filing as pled by Kansas City Power & Light Company, and upon the parties in Commission Case No. EO-2005-0329.
- 10. That the Commission's Public Information Office shall make notice of this order available to the members of the Missouri General Assembly representing the residents of the Missouri service area affected by the tariff filing, as pled by Kansas City Power & Light Company, and to the news media serving the residents of the Missouri counties affected by the tariff filing, as pled by Kansas City Power & Light Company.

- 11. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission is hereby authorized to file a complaint seeking a reduction in Kansas City Power & Light Company's revenues if its audit reflects that the earnings are excessive. Any such complaint shall be filed in this case.
  - 12. That this order shall become effective on February 3, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Ronald D. Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 2006.