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## ON BEHALF OF

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- 1 Q: Please state your name and business address.
- 2 A: My name is Terry S. Hedrick. My business address is 1200 Main Street, Kansas City,
- 3 Missouri 64105.
- 4 Q: By whom and in what capacity are you employed?
- 5 A: I am employed by Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCP&L" or the "Company")
- as Director of Supply Engineering.
- 7 Q: What are your responsibilities?
- 8 A: My responsibilities include the direct supervision of; central engineering managers and
- 9 supervising engineers at the facilities of KCP&L and KCP&L Greater Missouri
- Operations Company ("GMO"). These central engineering mangers address key
- programs and projects and the supervising engineers work directly with the plant
- managers on the development of capital budgets and the actual implementation
- 13 (development/design/procurement/construction/commissioning) of capital projects
- Previously with Aquila, Inc. my role, as Director of Generation Services, held similar
- responsibilities which included the direct supervision of engineers that implemented
- capital budget projects. As part of the Jeffrey Energy Center ownership component, I
- have participated on the Operating Committee for both Aquila and GMO.

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- 2 A: In 1985, I received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the 3 University of Missouri - Columbia. After receiving my degree, I joined the Missouri 4 Public Service Company, which later became UtiliCorp and ultimately Aquila, as Staff 5 Engineer at the Sibley Generating Station. From that time until 1998, I held positions of 6 Maintenance Engineer and Assistant Station Superintendent – Maintenance. In 1998, I 7 began working in the corporate Production department in the capacity of Senior 8 Production Engineer. From that time until the integration with KCP&L, I have held the 9 positions of Generation Services Manager and Director of Generation. As stated 10 previously, I am now employed with KCP&L as Director of Supply Engineering.
- 11 Q: Have you previously testified in proceedings before the Missouri Public Service

  12 Commission or before any other utility regulatory agency?
- 13 A: Yes, I have provided testimony before the Missouri Public Service Commission
  14 ("MPSC") while at KCP&L and Aquila.
- 15 Q: What is the purpose of your testimony?
- 16 A: The purpose of my testimony is to rebut the direct testimony of MPSC Staff witness 17 Karen Lyons concerning steam production maintenance expense normalization 18 (Company adjustment CS-42). Ms. Lyons is proposing the use of a two-year (2008-19 2009) average using actual in-year dollars for steam production maintenance expenses 20 (accounts 510-514) rather than a seven-year indexed average proposed by the Company. 21 Ms. Lyons is proposing \$27,186,949 for production maintenance accounts 510-514 22 normalization. The Company's proposal for maintenance normalization of these 23 accounts is \$28,461,137. The difference between these two proposals is \$1,274,188.

1 Q: Why does Staff's proposal not reflect the Company's annualized maintenance 2 expense? 3 A: The principal behind normalizing test year amounts is so they are representative of 4 ongoing maintenance expense. Staff's use of a two-year average of actual costs ignores 5 the reality that turbine maintenance is scheduled roughly every seven years. As such, 6 Staff proposal, if adopted, will not accurately reflect KCP&L's costs to serve its 7 customers. 8 Q: Can you explain why the Company is proposing the use of a seven-year average? 9 A: Major boiler and turbine overhauls occur on a periodic cycle that may occur every two to 10 seven years, depending on the type of maintenance. The Company currently schedules 11 steam turbine overhauls roughly every seven years. The industry continues to investigate 12 methods of lengthening the cycle for steam turbine overhauls. Scheduled turbine 13 overhauls normally add several million dollars or more over the amount of costs 14 experienced in a non-overhaul period. The Company recommends index averaging over 15 a seven-year period to capture the longest maintenance cycle. 16 Q: Can you explain why the Company is proposing the use of an indexed average? 17 A: Yes. The Company is proposing the use of steam account expenses for years 2003-2009. 18 When proposing the use of multi-year historical averaging, all years should be indexed to 19 like-year dollars to match the test year and account for market pricing fluctuations. The 20 Company is proposing that all years are indexed to 2009 dollars by the use of the Handy-

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Whitman index.

1	Q:	Has the Company provided an analysis of the cost fluctuations it has faced for its		
2		materials and contract labor costs related to generation maintenance and the		
3		correlation to the Handy-Whitman index?		
4	A:	Yes. In response to Staff data request No. 0479, the Company provided historical cost		
5		analysis on both contract labor and material and demonstrated the conservative		
6		correlation to the Handy-Whitman index.		
7	Q:	Did the Kansas Corporation Commission ("KCC") in its recent order address these		
8		issues?		
9	A:	Yes. The KCC adopted KCP&L's position, finding (i) that using the Handy-Whitman		
10		index as proposed by KCP&L is appropriate and (ii) that KCP&L's averaging over seven		
11		years is more preferable than the five year average proposed by [its] Staff." KCC Order		
12		in Docket No. 10-KCPE-415-RTS (Nov. 22, 2010), p. 51.		
13	Q:	Does that conclude your testimony?		

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A:

Yes, it does.

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Kansas City  Power & Light Company to Modify Its Tariffs to  Continue the Implementation of Its Regulatory Plan )  Docket No. ER-2010-0355
AFFIDAVIT OF TERRY S. HEDRICK
STATE OF MISSOURI )
COUNTY OF JACKSON ) ss
Terry S. Hedrick, being first duly sworn on his oath, states:
1. My name is Terry S. Hedrick. I work in Kansas City, Missouri, and I am
employed by Kansas City Power & Light Company as Director of Supply Engineering.
2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my Rebuttal Testimony
on behalf of Kansas City Power & Light Company consisting of 1000 ( )
pages, having been prepared in written form for introduction into evidence in the above-
captioned docket.
3. I have knowledge of the matters set forth therein. I hereby swear and affirm that
my answers contained in the attached testimony to the questions therein propounded, including
any attachments thereto, are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information and
belief.  Ony Terry S. Hedrick
Subscribed and sworn before me this day of December, 2010.
My commission expires:    Notary Public   Notary Public   Notary Public   Nicole A. Wehry, Notary Public   Jackson County, State of Missouri   My Commission Expires 2/4/2011   Commission Number 07391200   Commission Number 07391200