

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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CASE NO: ES-99-581

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light)
Company Regarding an Incident at the Hawthorn) Case No. ES-99-581
Station, Kansas City, Missouri, on February 17,)
1999.)

ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSE

On June 1, 1999, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed a Motion to Open Docket. Staff states that Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCPL) is an electric company subject to Commission jurisdiction as a public utility under Sections 386.020(15), 393.130.1, and 393.140, (1)-(3), (5), (9) and (10), RSMo Supp. 1998. Staff further states that on February 17, 1999, at approximately 12:30 a.m., an explosion occurred at Hawthorn Station's Boiler No. 5.

On October 8, 1999, Staff filed its Interim Report, noting that the investigation of the explosion was not yet complete and that the cause of the explosion had not yet been determined. On February 4, 2000, Staff filed its Second Interim Report, again noting that the investigation of the explosion was not yet complete and that the cause of the explosion had not yet been determined. On June 6, 2000, Staff filed its Third Interim Report. On August 22, 2000, Staff filed its Notice to Commission, therein advising the Commission that anticipated final investigation reports from Kansas City Power & Light and Crawford & Co. would be delayed.¹ On September 6, 2000, KCPL filed its motion for a protective order, stating that its final investigation report in this matter would contain "Highly

¹Crawford and Company is an investigator employed by KCPL's insurer.

Confidential" information. The Commission issued the requested protective order on September 28, 2000.

On January 23, 2001, Staff filed its Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to File Report Concerning Kansas City Power & Light Company's (KCP&L's) Operations. Therein, Staff stated that, while its report concerning the Hawthorn Incident would be filed as expected on January 25, 2001, its accompanying report concerning KCP&L's procedures, maintenance and performance would not be available until February 26, 2001. The Commission granted the requested extension on January 24, 2001.

On January 25, 2001, Staff filed its Motion to File Staff Final Electric Incident Report accompanied by its Final Electric Incident Report, in HC and NP versions as required by the protective order. It is appropriate at this time to direct KCPL to respond to Staff's report.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Staff's Motion to File Staff Final Electric Incident Report is granted.

2. That Kansas City Power & Light Company shall file its response to Staff's Final Electric Incident Report within 30 days of the date that report was filed.

3. That Kansas City Power & Light Company shall file its response to Staff's report concerning the procedures, maintenance and performance over the past ten years, due to be filed on or before February 26, 2001, within 30 days of the date that report is filed.

4. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file a reply to each of the responses of Kansas City Power & Light Company referred to herein. Each such reply shall be filed within 30 days of the date that the response of Kansas City Power & Light Company is filed. Each such response shall include recommendations as to further actions to be

taken by the Commission, if any, with respect to the matters addressed in the report, response and reply.

5. That this order shall become effective on February 11, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief
Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation
of authority pursuant to Section 386.240,
RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 1st day of February, 2001.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 1st day of February 2001.



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

