### STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2018.

In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light	)	
Company's Request for Authority to	)	File No. ER-2018-0145
Implement a General Rate Increase for	)	
Electric Service	)	

# ORDER SETTING LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS AND DIRECTING NOTICE

Issue Date: May 2, 2018 Effective Date: May 2, 2018

On January 30, 2018, Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCP&L") submitted proposed tariff sheets designed to implement a general rate increase for electrical service. In a February 8 order, the Commission directed Staff to consult with the other parties to file recommendations regarding the times, dates, and locations for local public hearings. Staff responded on March 2, offering suggested times and locations for such hearings. The Commission will adopt the local public hearing schedule proposed by the parties.

The Commission will direct KCP&L to provide notice of the hearings to its customers using the notice language described in this order.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unless otherwise noted, calendar references are to 2018.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Commission's Public Policy and Outreach Department shall make an informational presentation and conduct a question-and-answer session for the public at the beginning of each local public hearing.
- 2. KCP&L, the Commission's Staff, and the Office of the Public Counsel shall each prepare a one-page statement outlining their current assessment of the case, and shall bring sufficient copies for distribution at the question-and-answer session that begins each local public hearing.
- 3. KCP&L, the Commission's Staff, and the Office of the Public Counsel shall make a representative available to address substantive issues during the question-and-answer session.
- 4. Any other party, at its discretion, may prepare a statement and make a representative available to address substantive issues during the question and answer session.
- 5. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing at the St. Joseph City Hall, 1100 Frederick Avenue, St. Joseph, Missouri, 64501, on Monday, July 9, 2018, beginning at noon.
- 6. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing at the Clay County Courthouse, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Commission Hearing Room, 1 Courthouse Square, Liberty, Missouri 64068, on Monday, July 9, 2018, beginning at 6:00 p.m.
- 7. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing at Martin Community Center, Room #2, 1985 S. Odell Avenue, Marshall, Missouri 65340, on Tuesday, July 10, 2018, beginning at noon.

- 8. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing at Gladstone Community Center, Gladstone/Linden Room, 6901 North Holmes Street, Gladstone, Missouri, on Tuesday, July 10, 2018, beginning at 6:00 p.m.
- 9. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing at Liberty Park Convention Hall, 1500 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Sedalia, Missouri 63501, on Tuesday, July 31, 2018, beginning at noon.
- 10. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing at Lee's Summit High School, Lecture Hall, 400 Southeast Blue Parkway, Lee's Summit, Missouri 64086, on Tuesday, July 31, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
- 11. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing at Bruce R. Watkins Cultural Heritage Center, 3700 Blue Parkway, Kansas City, Missouri 64130, on Wednesday, August 1, 2018, at noon.
- 12. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing at Gregg/Klice Community Center, Large Meeting Room, 1600 East 17<sup>th</sup> Terrace, Kansas City, Missouri 64108, on Wednesday, August 1, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.
- 13. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing at Community Center, 200 North Ash, Nevada, Missouri 64772, on Monday, August 13, 2018, at noon.
- 14. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing at Elk's Lodge Banquet Room, 115 West Franklin, Clinton, Missouri 64735 on Monday, August 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
- 15. No later than ten days before the local public hearings, KCP&L shall provide individual notice to each of its electrical service customers including the notice as set out below.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

You are a customer of Kansas City Power & Light Company d/b/a KCP&L ("KCP&L"), which has filed a rate increase request with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"). The Commission has established File No. ER-2018-0145 for this request. The proposed increase is approximately 1.88%. As requested, the bill of the average residential customer would increase approximately \$3.00 per month. Without resetting KCP&L's base cost of energy used for its FACs ("Fuel Adjustment Charges"), KCP&L's proposed request would be an increase of about 0.86%.

KCP&L is asking the Commission to allow it to continue to reflect changes in its fuel and purchased power costs in customer FACs. The FACs base cost of energy gets reset in each general rate case proceeding. KCP&L's FACs reflect the difference between KCP&L's actual fuel and purchased power costs to serve customers and the base cost of energy, and are billed or credited to each customer based on that customer's monthly energy usage. KCP&L is requesting to continue to adjust its FAC rates two times per year, in October and April.

KCP&L believes the proposed rate increase is needed to recover money spent for several customer experience enhancements, including technology and green initiatives. KCP&L is also asking to pass along to customers 100% of the savings resulting from the Tax Cut and Jobs Act.

Additionally, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company d/b/a KCP&L ("GMO") filed a rate increase request with the Commission, along with a request to continue to bill its customers FACs. GMO's customers are receiving similar notices, including the below schedule of public hearings

The Commission has scheduled local public hearings where members of the public may testify and offer documents to the Commission regarding KCP&L's request. The dates and locations of the hearings follow:

- St. Joseph City Hall, 1100 Frederick Avenue, St. Joseph, July 9, noon.
- Clay County Courthouse, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Commission Hearing Room, 1 Courthouse Square, Liberty, July 9, 6:00 p.m.
- Martin Community Center, Room #2, 1985 S. Odell Avenue, Marshall, July 10, noon.
- Gladstone Community Center, Gladstone/Linden Room, 6901 North Holmes Street, Gladstone, July 10, 6:00 p.m.
- Liberty Park Convention Hall, 1500 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Sedalia, July 31, noon.

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- Community Center, 200 North Ash, Nevada, August 13, noon.
- Elk's Lodge Banquet Room, 115 West Franklin, Clinton, August 13, 6:00 p.m.

The Commission has set question and answer sessions to begin at the times, dates and places set forth above, and to be directly followed by hearings, unless otherwise indicated. The question and answer sessions, and hearings, are being held in facilities that meet the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Anyone who needs additional accommodations to participate in a hearing should call the Commission's hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

Anyone wishing to comment on KCP&L's requests may: telephone the Commission's Staff at 1-800-392-4211; mail written comments to the Public Service Commission Staff, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102; electronically submit comments to the Commission's Staff through the Internet at https://psc.mo.gov/General/Submit\_Comments (please reference case number ER-2018-0145); or Contact the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, telephone 573-751-4857 or toll-free 866-922-2959, mopco@ded.mo.gov. Public comments are viewable by the public. *Do not include any information in a public comment that you do not want to be accessible to the public.* 

- 16. The local public hearings shall be held in facilities that meet the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs additional accommodation to participate in the hearings should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearings.
- 17. The Data Center of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall mail a copy of this order to the county commission of each county in KCPL's service area.

- 18. The Public Policy and Outreach Department of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall send a copy of this order to members of the General Assembly and to the media that serve KCPL's service area.
- 19. KCP&L shall place advertisements in the newspapers serving its service territory. The advertisements shall contain the information from the customer notice relevant to the customers in the newspaper's circulation area.
  - 20. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Hall, Chm., Kenney, Rupp, Coleman, and Silvey, CC., concur.

Pridgin, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge

#### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2018.

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

### MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION May 2, 2018

#### File/Case No. ER-2018-0145

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#### County of Jackson, Missouri

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#### **County of Pettis, Missouri**

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#### County of Platte, Missouri

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Recipients listed above with a valid e-mail address will receive electronic service. Recipients without a valid e-mail address will receive paper service.