## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In The Matter of the 2013 Kansas City Power & Light Company Annual IRP Update Report

File No. EO-2013-0537

## **ORDER GRANTING MOTIONS TO INTERVENE**

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Issue Date: July 5, 2013

Effective Date: July 5, 2013

On June 28, 2013, The Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) and the Sierra Club filed separate motions seeking leave to intervene in this action. Along with their motions to intervene, NRDC and Sierra Club filed motions asking the Commission to expedite its consideration of the motions to intervene. The Missouri Department of Natural Resources and Dogwood Energy, LLC, have also filed motions to intervene but did not request expedited consideration of those motions.

NRDC and Sierra Club's motions for expedited consideration explain that Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCP&L) has scheduled an update workshop for July 11. The prospective intervening parties have engaged the services of attorneys and expert consultants who need to review information filed by KCP&L to be prepared to participate in the July 11 workshop. However, KCP&L has filed some information as highly confidential and until NRDC and Sierra Club are granted party status, their attorneys and consultants cannot view the highly confidential information. For that reason, NRDC and Sierra Club ask the Commission to expedite its approval of their motions to intervene to allow their attorneys and consultants to access highly confidential materials for enough time to prepare before the workshop. Before acting on the motions to intervene, the Commission ordered that any party wishing to respond to any of the pending motions to intervene do so no later than July 3. No such response has been filed. Although the Department of Natural Resources and Dogwood Energy did not request expedited approval of their motions to intervene, they are in the same position as NRDC and Sierra Club in that their experts cannot view highly confidential information until they gain party status. No party has opposed any motion to intervene and the Commission will expedite its approval of all the motions.

The Commission finds that the interest in this case of NRDC, Sierra Club, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, and Dogwood Energy are different from that of the general public, and may be adversely affected by a final order arising from this case. Furthermore, the Commission finds that allowing those parties to intervene will serve the public interest. Therefore, in accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(4), the Commission will grant the motions to intervene.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Motion to Intervene of the Natural Resources Defense Council is granted.
- 2. The Motion to Intervene of the Sierra Club is granted.

3. The Application to Intervene of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is granted.

4. The Motion to Intervene of Dogwood Energy, LLC is granted.

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5. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

## BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L Woodruff

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2013.