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

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In the Matter of the Determination of Carrying Costs for the Phase-In Tariffs of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company. File No. ET-2012-0017

Tariff Nos. YE-2011-0608, YE-2011-0609, and YE-2011-0610

## ORDER OPENING A NEW FILE AND ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: July 22, 2011

Effective Date: July 22, 2011

On May 27, 2011, the Commission issued its Order of Clarification and

Modification in which it determined that :

Because of the magnitude of the rate increase and the effects on the ratepayers in the L&P service area, the Commission determines in its discretion that a just and reasonable method of implementing this large increase is by phasing it in over a reasonable number of years. The Commission further concludes that rates for L&P service area should initially be set at an amount equal to the \$22.1 million originally proposed by GMO with the remaining increase plus carrying costs being phased-in in equal parts over a two year period.<sup>1</sup>

Following that order, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (GMO) filed tariffs

(Tariff File Nos. YE-2011-0608, YE-2011-0609, and YE-2011-0610) to implement the

phase-in, including carrying costs. The Office of the Public Counsel objected to the

proposed carrying costs and additional filings were made regarding the subject. On

June 25, 2011, the Commission issued its Order Approving Tariff Sheets and Setting

Procedural Conference stating that additional evidence was needed to determine the

appropriate carrying costs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Order of Clarification and Modification, (issued May 27, 2011) p. 7.

A procedural conference was held and the parties who participated at the conference filed a joint proposed procedural schedule including certain agreed-to changes to data request deadlines. The Commission will adopt the proposed schedule.

In addition, the Commission opens this new file for the proceeding related to a determination of the carrying costs for the phase-in and approval of those tariffs. The parties to File No. ER-2010-0356 shall be made parties to this file without the need for further intervention. In addition, the pleadings, tariffs, orders, and other documents on the docket sheet in File No. ER-2010-0356 beginning on May 27, 2011 to the date of this order, shall be copied to this docket. Any discovery or data requests in ER-2010-0356 relevant to the issues in this file may be utilized in this file the same as if they had been proposed in this matter.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The procedural schedule proposed by the participating parties is adopted as follows:

Direct Testimony (All Parties)	August 18, 2011
Rebuttal Testimony (All Parties)	September 16, 2011
Evidentiary Hearing	October 11, 2011 beginning at 8:30 a.m.

The hearing will be held at the Commission's offices in the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Room 310, Jefferson City, Missouri. The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs specific accessibility accommodations may call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1 800 392 4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.

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2. The time for responses to Data Requests served on and after June 28, 2011, shall be reduced to ten calendar days, and the time for objection shall be reduced to five business days.

3. The parties to File No. ER-2010-0356 are parties to this file without the need for further intervention.

4. The pleadings, tariffs, orders, and other documents on the docket sheet in File No. ER-2010-0356 beginning on May 27, 2011 to the date of this order, shall be copied to this docket.

5. Any discovery or data requests in File No. ER-2010-0356 relevant to the issues in this file may be utilized in this file the same as if they had been proposed in this matter.

6. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

## **BY THE COMMISSION**

Steven C. Reed Secretary

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Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 22nd day of July, 2011.