BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Request for Authority to Implement))	ER-2012-0174
General Rate Increase for Electric Service.)	
In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri)	
Operations Company's Request for Authority to)	ER-2012-0175
Implement General Rate Increase for Electric)	
Service.)	

THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL'S RESPONSE

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) and for its Response states as follows:

1. On August 31, 2012, Kansas City Power & Light Company, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company and the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed a *Response To Order Directing Filing* in the above stated cases in response to the Missouri Public Service Commission's *Order Directing Filing* directing the applicant and/or other parties suggest a procedural schedule for the filing of testimony addressing the topic of a Rate Stabilization Mechanism.

2. Public Counsel has concerns regarding the addition of the topic of a Rate Stabilization Mechanism in these cases at this late date and now states that it does not agree with the procedural schedules suggested by the applicants and Staff to address that topic.

WHEREFORE, Public Counsel respectfully submits its Response.

Respectfully submitted,

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, emailed or hand-delivered to the parties of record this 31st day of August 2012:

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