

**BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

In the Matter of the Application of Kansas City)
Power & Light Company for Approval of its) Docket No. 16-KCPE-388-ACA
2015 Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA").)

APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF 2015 ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT ("ACA")
FILING AND MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

COMES NOW, Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCP&L" or "Company"), and files this Application with the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("Commission" or "KCC") for approval of its Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA") filing, which sets forth the annual true-up reconciliation for the preceding Energy Cost Adjustment ("ECA") year ended December 31, 2015. In support of its Application, KCP&L states as follows:

1. KCP&L is a vertically integrated electric public utility company under the jurisdiction of the Commission that is engaged in the production, transmission, delivery and furnishing of power within the meaning of K.S.A. 66-104, in legally designated areas of Kansas. KCP&L holds a certificate of convenience and authority issued by the Commission, authorizing KCP&L to engage in such utility business. KCP&L has previously filed with the Commission certified copies of its Articles of Incorporation under which it was organized, its Certificate of Registration as a Foreign Corporation authorized to do business in Kansas, and all amendments thereto and restatements thereof, and the same are incorporated herein by reference.

2. In addition to the undersigned, all correspondence, pleadings, orders, decisions and communications regarding this proceeding should be sent to:

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3. For each ECA year, all components of KCP&L's ECA mechanism, including fuel and purchased power costs, off-system sales margins, and other components of the ECA tariff are forecasted pursuant to KCP&L's ECA Tariff, Schedule 2, Sheet 3, ¶¶1-2. On or before December 20 each year, KCP&L is required to provide Staff with its forecasted ECA factors and supporting documentation for each of the twelve months of the following ECA year. The factors for January-March of the ECA year are required to be based upon this forecast. On a quarterly basis, KCP&L is required to then re-forecast monthly factors for each remaining month of the ECA year and provide such factors and supporting documentation to Staff on or before March 20, June 20, and September 20.

4. KCP&L has complied with the above requirements by filing the reports required by the ECA tariff and providing the same to Staff. In Docket No. 08-KCPE-677-CPL, a compliance docket set up specifically for KCP&L's ECA tariff filings, KCP&L made

compliance filings on December 19, 2014, March 20, 2015, June 19, 2015 and September 18, 2015 for the 2015 ECA year.

5. Pursuant to KCP&L's ECA Tariff, Schedule 2, Sheet 3, ¶3, KCP&L must file an annual report each year by March 1. KCP&L has filed this Application to comply with the annual reporting requirement and to provide a true-up reconciliation for the 2015 ECA year, otherwise known as the ACA. This Application and all supporting testimony and schedules comprise the required annual report.

6. Along with this Application, two witnesses are filing supporting testimony on behalf of KCP&L. This testimony discusses in detail the components of the calculation of the under-recovery of energy costs for the ECA year ending December 31, 2015. KCP&L believes that the fuel and energy costs that were passed through KCP&L's ECA during the 2015 ECA year were just and reasonable, in accordance with the terms of its Commission-approved ECA tariff, and consistent with industry standards.

7. Ms. Elizabeth A. Herrington, Director, Energy and Revenue Accounting, is submitting testimony regarding the data and calculations used to develop KCP&L's ACA factor, including the components of the ECA cost, allocation of costs to off-system sales, and the retail allocation to Kansas of both the costs and off-system sales margins. She also provides a description of Schedule EAH-2, which sets forth KCP&L's annual calculation of the true-up of energy costs for the ECA year ending December 31, 2015.

8. Mr. Wm. Edward Blunk, Generation Planning Manager, is submitting testimony regarding multiple issues, including: (1) a summary of the information that was provided by KCP&L in the quarterly ECA submittals for ECA year 2015 and the determination of the ECA factor contained in KCP&L's rates; (2) a comparison of KCP&L's projected 2015 ECA to the

actual 2015 ECA; and (3) a discussion of KCP&L's fuel procurement practices and why its fuel costs are reasonable and prudent.

9. As detailed in Confidential Schedule EAH-2, the annual calculation of KCP&L's ACA resulted in an under-recovery of \$6,704,445 for the ECA year ending December 31, 2015. This under-recovery of energy costs results in an ACA factor of \$0.00105 per kWh, which will increase the ECA factors for each month beginning April 2016 through March 2017.

10. As part of the current filing, KCP&L has calculated its actual 2015 UE1 Allocator to allocate off-system sales margins to KCP&L's Kansas retail ratepayers within the context of the ECA tariff.

11. The majority of the information included in Schedules EAH-2, EAH-3 and WEB-1 is confidential and KCP&L requests that it be treated as such by the Commission and Staff pursuant to K.S.A. 66-1220a and K.A.R. 82-1-221a. K.S.A. 66-1220a limits the disclosure of trade secrets or confidential commercial information of regulated entities. K.A.R. 82-1-221a also provides standards for the safekeeping of a regulated entity's confidential commercial information. The information contained in the Schedules and submitted to Staff is confidential because it contains information that has not been disclosed to the public and, if disclosed, could place KCP&L at a competitive disadvantage in negotiating future fuel contracts. As such, KCP&L hereby requests that the Commission issue a Protective Order in this docket to govern the disclosure and dissemination of confidential information.

WHEREFORE, KCP&L requests that the Commission: (1) approve its ACA, as detailed in the Schedules filed concurrently herewith, which set forth the annual true-up reconciliation for the preceding ECA year ended December 31, 2015; (2) approve the ACA factor as detailed in paragraph 9 above and in the Schedules filed concurrently herewith; (3) accept its 2015 UE1

Allocator as set forth in the Schedules filed concurrently herewith; and (4) issue a Protective Order in this docket to govern the disclosure and dissemination of confidential information.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss.
COUNTY OF JACKSON)

I, Mary Britt Turner, being duly sworn, on oath state that I am Director of Regulatory Affairs of Kansas City Power & Light Company, that I have read the foregoing Application and know the contents thereof, and that the facts set forth therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

By: Mary Britt Turner
Mary Britt Turner

The foregoing Application was subscribed and sworn to before me this March 1, 2016.

Karen M. Smith
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:
April 16, 2016



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