BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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In the Matter of the Joint Application of Great Plains Energy Incorporated, Kansas City Power & Light Company and Westar Energy, Inc. for approval of the) Acquisition of Westar Energy, Inc. by Great Plains Energy Incorporated

Docket No. 16-KCPE-593-ACQ

PETITION TO INTERVENE OF SPIRIT AEROSYSTEMS, INC.

Spirit AeroSystems, Inc. ("Spirit") respectfully files this Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced case. In support of its Petition, Spirit states to the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("KCC" or "Commission") as follows:

1. On June 28, 2016, Westar Energy, Inc. ("Westar"), Great Plains Energy Incorporated ("Great Plains") and Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCP&L"), (Westar, Great Plains, and KCP&L, collectively "Joint Applicants") filed an Application ("Application") for the approval of the acquisition of Westar by Great Plains.

2. Spirit's Wichita facilities are among the largest manufacturing and assembly operations in the state of Kansas. Spirit employs several thousand people in Kansas, and creates substantial economic activity in and around Wichita and Sedgwick County, Kansas. Spirit is one of Westar's largest, direct retail electric customers. Spirit purchases electric energy from Westar d/b/a Kansas Gas and Electric Company ("KGE"). The cost of retail electric energy and the terms and conditions for the service of electric energy, are of major importance to the business operations of Spirit. The matters to be considered by the Commission in the above entitled KCC Docket, may affect Westar's current or future rates, and terms and conditions of service to Spirit. Therefore, Spirit has a substantial, direct financial interest in all of the costs of service, rate design, tariffs, and policy issues that may be addressed, considered, and determined by the Commission in this Docket.

3. Spirit agrees to accept the state of this Docket in all respects at the time of its Petition and requested Intervention herein.

4. No party to this proceeding adequately represents the interests of Spirit in this proceeding.

5. Spirit respectfully requests the right to fully intervene without limitation in this matter and to participate in all aspects of this Docket, including but not limited to serving discovery, filing motions and other pleadings as appropriate, presenting oral argument, and fully participating in any Commission hearings in this Docket.

WHEREFORE, Spirit respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Petition for Intervention. Spirit also requests all other relief to which the Commission determines that it may be entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS)) ss: COUNTY OF JOHNSON)

James P. Zakoura, of lawful age, being first duly sworn, upon oath states:

That he is the attorney for the Intervenor, Spirit AeroSystems, Inc., that he has read the above and foregoing Petition to Intervene, knows the contents thereof, and knows that all of the statements made therein are true.

James V, Pakoura James P. Zakoura

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 1st day of July, 2016.

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Notary Public

My Appointment Expires:

NOTASY PURCE	DIANE M. WALSH
STATE OF KANSAS	My Appl. Exp. 08-31-2018

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail (when available) or regular U.S. mail (unless otherwise noted), the 1st day of July, 2016 to the parties below:

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