THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:	Pat Apple Shari Feis Jay Scott	st Albrec	
In the Matter of a General Investigat Kansas City Power & Light Compar All-Electric Residential Rates)	Docket No. 16-GIME-576-GIE

ORDER GRANTING PETITION TO INTERVENE OF KANSAS GAS SERVICE

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having reviewed the files and records, and being duly advised, the Commission finds:

I. Background

- 1. On June 21, 2016, the Commission issued an Order Opening General Investigation into Kansas City Power & Light Company's (KCP&L) All-Electric Residential Rates.
- 2. On February 17, 2017, Kansas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas, Inc. (KGS) filed a Petition to Intervene (Petition). ¹ In its Petition, KGS stated that it was seeking intervention so that it could monitor the proceedings and participate as may be necessary to protect KGS' interests. ² KGS additionally stated that it would plan to provide the Commission information from the perspective of a natural gas provider as to the impact any policies developed as a result of the investigation may have on its customers. ³ KGS further indicated that its interests were not adequately represented by any other party. ⁴

¹ Docket No. 16-GIME-576-GIE, Petition to Intervene (February 17, 2017).

² Id. at p. 2.

³ *Id*.

⁴ *Id*.

3. There have been no objections to KGS' Petition to Intervene.

II. Legal Standard

4. The Commission must grant intervention if a petition is submitted in writing to all named parties at least three days before the hearing;⁵ the petition states facts demonstrating that the petitioner's legal rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other legal interests may be substantially affected by the proceeding;⁶ and the presiding officer determines that the interest of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings will not be impaired by allowing the intervention.⁷ Additionally, the Commission has broad discretion to grant a petition for intervention if it is in the interest of justice, and if the intervention will not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings. ⁸ Furthermore, at any time during a proceeding, the Commission may impose limitations on an intervenor's participation.⁹

III. Findings and Conclusions

- 5. The Commission finds that KGS has adequately demonstrated that its intervention is in the interest of justice. The Commission finds that KGS' participation will not impair the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceeding. Therefore, the Commission at this time will grant intervention to KGS in the interest of justice as the Commission desires to create a complete and thorough evidentiary record from which to make a decision.
- 6. The Commission concludes that KGS has met the requirements of K.S.A. 77-521 and should be granted intervention in this docket as provided herein. KGS will be added to the

⁵ K.S.A. 77-521(a)(1).

⁶ K.S.A. 77-521(a)(2).

⁷ K.S.A. 77-521(a)(3).

⁸ K.S.A. 77-521(b).

⁹ K.S.A. 77-521(c).

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THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- A. The Petition to Intervene of Kansas Gas Service, a Division of ONE Gas is granted.
- B. The parties have 15 days from the date this Order was electronically served to petition for reconsideration.¹⁰
- C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it deems necessary.

¹⁰ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Dated: MAR 1 6 2017

Amy L. Green

Secretary to the Commission

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