

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

**In the Matter of the Joint Application of)
Great Plains Energy Incorporated,)
Kansas City Power & Light Company,) Docket No. 16-KCPE-593-ACQ
and Westar Energy, Inc. for Approval of)
the Acquisition of Westar Energy Inc. by)
Great Plains Energy Incorporated)
)**

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

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1 **Introduction**

2 **Q. Please state your name.**

3 A. John A. Krajewski.

4 **Q. By whom are you employed, what is your position and what is your business address?**

5 A. I am the president and sole owner of JK Energy Consulting, LLC, a Nebraska limited
6 liability corporation, formed in 2009. My office is located at 650 J Street, Suite 108,
7 Lincoln, Nebraska 68508.

8 **Q. Please describe your educational background and your work experience.**

9 A. I have a Bachelor's of Science in Mechanical Engineering from the University of
10 Nebraska-Lincoln and am a professional engineer licensed in the states of Nebraska, Iowa,
11 and Kansas. I have more than 20 years of experience in the electric utility industry,
12 working for a joint action agency and three consulting firms. My areas of expertise include
13 power supply resource planning, power supply and transmission contract negotiations,
14 transmission access, regulatory affairs, cost of service and rate design for wholesale, retail
15 and transmission service, distribution planning, and long-term financial and rate
16 projections. A copy of my résumé is attached to this document (see Exhibit JAK-1).

17 **Q. Please list any professional organizations of which you are a member.**

18 A. I am an Individual Associate Member of the American Public Power Association, the
19 National Society of Professional Engineers, and the Nebraska Society of Professional
20 Engineers.

21 **Q. Have you served on any industry-related committees or organizations?**

22 A. From 2002 to 2008, I served on the Design Review Subcommittee of the Mid-Continent

1 Area Power Pool and the Midwest Reliability Organization Reliability Assessment
2 Committee from 2005 to 2008. From 2000 to 2008, I served on the Nebraska Sub-regional
3 Transmission Planning Group and the Nebraska Power Association Joint Planning
4 Subcommittee. Currently, I serve as the Nebraska Power Review Board's representative
5 on the Southwest Power Pool ("SPP") Cost Allocation Working Group. In 2013, I served
6 as co-chair of the SPP Long-Term Congestion Rights Task Force and I currently serve as
7 a member of the SPP Transmission Planning Improvement Task Force.

8 **Q. Describe your role as the Nebraska Power Review Board's representative on the Cost**
9 **Allocation Working Group.**

10 A. In 2011, JK Energy Consulting, LLC was selected to provide services to the Nebraska
11 Power Review Board related to the SPP and the state's membership on the SPP Regional
12 State Committee. Through this engagement, I serve as Nebraska's representative on the
13 Cost Allocation Working Group ("CAWG"). My firm monitors several other SPP working
14 groups and committees, including the Economic Studies Working Group, Project Cost
15 Working Group, Market Working Group, Market and Operations Policy Committee, the
16 Regional State Committee, the Member's Committee and Board of Directors.

17 **Q. How is your work for the Nebraska Power Review Board relevant to this proceeding?**

18 A. The Regional State Committee has authority over many issues, including transmission cost
19 allocation in the SPP region. The CAWG reports to the Regional State Committee and
20 reviews many aspects of the SPP Open Access Transmission Tariff ("OATT" or "Tariff"),
21 including cost allocation. Through this work, I am familiar with various aspects of the SPP
22 Tariff, including calculation of revenue requirements for individual transmission owner
23 zones as well as the allocation of regional costs across the SPP region. I am familiar with

1 the tariff provisions that apply to network and point-to-point service.¹

2 **Q. Have you testified before the Kansas Corporation Commission (“Commission” or**
3 **“KCC”) in the past?**

4 A. Yes. I testified before the Commission in 1999 in the proposed merger of Western
5 Resources and Kansas City Power & Light (Docket No. 97-WSRG-676-MER) on matters
6 related to transmission and wholesale market access, load flows across various constrained
7 interfaces, effects on operations, generation dispatch, and transmission availability. In
8 2014, I filed testimony before the Commission on behalf of the City of Garden City,
9 Kansas, in the matter of the joint application of Sunflower Electric Power Corporation and
10 Wheatland Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Docket No. 14-SEPE-287-CON). That case settled
11 before a hearing occurred. In 2016, I filed testimony before the Commission, again on
12 behalf of the City of Garden City, Kansas, in the matter of Wheatland Electric Cooperative,
13 Inc. for approval to make certain changes in charges for electric service (Docket No. 16-
14 WHLE-305-RTS). That case was settled before a hearing occurred.

15 **Q. Have you testified before other regulatory bodies in the past?**

16 A. Yes. I have filed testimony before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”),
17 the Nebraska Power Review Board, and the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission on various
18 issues related to transmission access, power supply planning, application for construction
19 of new power supply resources, and retail rate issues. Attached to this document is a
20 complete list of regulatory proceedings that I have participated in as well as other projects
21 that I have worked on over the past 24 years (see Exhibit JAK-2).

¹ The statements made and positions contained in this Direct Testimony are mine, as an energy consultant familiar with the SPP Tariff, the regional cost allocation methodology used by SPP and matters related to electric utility operations. They do not necessarily represent the views of the SPP, any SPP Working Group, or the State of Nebraska.

Purpose / Summary of Conclusions

Q. What is the purpose of your testimony today?

A. I was asked by the Kansas City, Kansas Board of Utilities (“KCBPU”) to identify potential impacts of the proposed acquisition of Westar by Great Plains Energy (“Proposed Transaction”). These impacts could potentially increase rates for KCBPU and its customers, as well as reduce reliability of service across the combined company’s transmission system. The merger may also impact the rates KCBPU pays for energy through bilateral purchase agreements by eliminating one potential competitive power supplier.

Q. What guidelines does the KCC use to determine if a proposed merger is in the public interest?

A. The KCC’s merger standards were re-affirmed in an Order issued on August 9, 2016.² According to legal counsel for KCBPU, the Commission looks at the following factors to determine if a proposed transaction is in the public interest:

(a) The effect of the transaction on consumers, including:

(i) the effect of the proposed transaction on the financial condition of the newly created entity as compared to the financial condition of the stand-alone entities if the transaction did not occur;

(ii) reasonableness of the purchase price, including whether the purchase price was reasonable in light of the savings that can be demonstrated from the merger and whether the purchase price is within a reasonable range;

² *Order on Merger Standards*, KCC, Docket No. 16-KCPE-593-ACQ (2016).

1 (iii) whether ratepayer benefits resulting from the transaction can be
2 quantified;

3 (iv) whether there are operational synergies that justify payment of a
4 premium in excess of book value; and

5 (v) the effect of the proposed transaction on the existing competition.

6 (b) The effect of the transaction on the environment.

7 (c) Whether the proposed transaction will be beneficial on an overall basis to
8 state and local economies and to communities in the area served by the
9 resulting public utility operations in the state. Whether the proposed
10 transaction will likely create labor dislocations that may be particularly
11 harmful to local communities, or the state generally, and whether measures
12 can be taken to mitigate the harm.

13 (d) Whether the proposed transaction will preserve the jurisdiction of the KCC
14 and the capacity of the KCC to effectively regulate and audit public utility
15 operations in the state.

16 (e) The effect of the transaction on affected public utility shareholders.

17 (f) Whether the transaction maximizes the use of Kansas energy resources.

18 (g) Whether the transaction will reduce the possibility of economic waste.

19 (h) What impact, if any, the transaction has on public safety.

20 My testimony is focused on the impact on consumers who are customers of KCBPU and
21 from the Kansas City, Kansas community, the potential for economic waste, and the
22 potential impact on public safety that may be caused by reduced reliability of the
23 transmission and distribution system of the combined company.

1 **Q. What is your conclusion?**

2 A. There will be detrimental impacts on KCBPU customers as a result of the merger. The
3 detrimental impacts include higher transmission rates and decreased reliability of service.
4 There will be no more competition between Westar and KCP&L for sales to or purchases
5 from the KCBPU. In addition, the savings identified by the applicants appear to be
6 overstated. I have communicated this information to KCBPU's economic experts for use
7 in their analyses of the Proposed Transaction.³

8 **Existing BPU System**

9 **Q. Please describe the KCBPU electric utility.**

10 A. KCBPU is a municipally-owned, non-profit utility that owns and operates generation,
11 transmission and distribution facilities. It provides electric service to 63,000 customers that
12 make up the approximately 160,000 residents of Kansas City, Kansas. As of 2016, the
13 approximate summer peak demand was 480 MW. KCBPU supplies its capacity and energy
14 needs from a diversified portfolio of resources, including coal-fired generation, natural-gas
15 fired generation, Federal hydro-power allocations, privately owned hydropower, wind
16 energy, landfill gas generation, and a community solar project that is in the contracting
17 stage.

18 **Q. How are KCBPU's power supply resources delivered?**

19 A. Some of KCBPU's resources are interconnected directly to the KCBPU transmission
20 system; however, a significant portion of KCBPU's resources are located on the
21 transmission systems of other utilities. Delivery of these resources require firm point-to-
22 point transmission service across facilities controlled by the SPP regional transmission

³ See Direct Testimony of Jonathan A. Lesser; Direct Testimony of Boris J. Steffen.

1 organization (“RTO”). The SPP OATT governs the firm point-to-point transmission
2 service that is used to deliver these resources from the generator to the KCBPU system. As
3 of November 2016, KCBPU had 180 MW in firm point-to-point transmission service
4 reservations for delivery of resources not directly interconnected to the KCBPU
5 transmission system.

6 **Q. What impact does the Proposed Transaction have on KCBPU’s interconnections to**
7 **SPP?**

8 A. The two transmission owners to which KCBPU is interconnected, KCP&L and Westar,
9 have turned over operational control of their transmission facilities to SPP. If Great Plains
10 Energy is successful in closing the Proposed Transaction, KCBPU would go from being
11 interconnected to two completely independent transmission owners to having all of its
12 interconnections owned by Great Plains Energy. Even though SPP exercises operational
13 control under the OATT, Great Plains Energy would still be ultimately responsible for
14 decisions including maintenance practices, vegetation management, repair and
15 replacement practices, compliance with mandatory reliability standards, and planned
16 outage scheduling.

17 With the proposed acquisition, KCBPU will become completely dependent on
18 Great Plains Energy for its interconnections to the SPP system. KCBPU would become a
19 captive transmission customer without a realistic option for transmission service from a
20 transmission owner that is not part of Great Plains Energy in the immediate geographic
21 vicinity. To the extent that Great Plains Energy makes decisions that reduce the reliability
22 of the transmission system in the greater Kansas City area, the KCBPU will have no
23 recourse and no alternate interconnection provider as it does now with the interconnection

1 to Westar. If the Joint Applicants schedule generation and transmission outages based on
2 the best interests of Great Plains Energy and those decisions have a negative impact on
3 KCBPU, there would be no ability to rely on a different company for service because the
4 system is combined. These actions could increase congestion or increase flows across the
5 BPU transmission system, thus increasing losses borne by BPU's retail customers.

6 **Q. How did KCBPU come to be interconnected with both Westar and KCP&L?**

7 A. KCBPU has traditionally had a number of interconnections with KCP&L. In the early
8 1990s, KCBPU established an interconnection with a second transmission provider when
9 it constructed the interconnection with Westar at the Edwardsville substation. The
10 interconnection was built prior to the issuance of FERC Order 888 and the establishment
11 of SPP as a FERC-approved Regional Transmission Organization. Although some of the
12 benefits of having two separate transmission interconnections have diminished with the
13 advent of the SPP RTO and subsequent enhancements such as the Integrated Marketplace,
14 the BPU still receives a significant benefit by paying the "lower of" transmission rate for
15 SPP OATT Schedule 7 and 8 point-to-point transmission services.

16 **Operational Savings**

17 **Q. Have you reviewed the Applicants estimates for operational savings that will result**
18 **from the merger?**

19 A. Yes. I have reviewed the projected savings in three specific areas to assess the
20 reasonableness of the Applicants' estimated savings. I prepared these opinions primarily
21 to assist KCBPU expert witnesses Jonathan Lesser and Boris Steffen in the preparation of
22 their testimony related to merger savings and the calculation of net benefits related to the
23 Proposed Transaction.

1 **Q. What specific areas of projected savings did you review?**

2 A. I reviewed estimated savings related to generating plant retirements, vegetation
3 management and distribution O&M.

4 **Generating Plant Retirements**

5 **Q. With regard to savings related to generating plant retirements, please describe what**
6 **generating plants the Applicants claim could be retired as a result of the Proposed**
7 **Transaction?**

8 A. In workpapers provided in response to data requests, it was indicated that generation
9 savings could occur by retiring certain generating plants. These plants include:

10 Westar: Murray Gill, Tecumseh, Lawrence

11 KCP&L: Sibley, Montrose

12 In total, Mr. Kemp indicated that 1,606 MW of capacity could be retired by the end of
13 2019.

14 **Q. Is it reasonable to assume this much capacity could be retired by the end of 2019?**

15 A. No. As shown in Exhibit JAK-3, retiring that much capacity would result in a capacity
16 deficit of 500 MW by 2020. This deficit was calculated based on the responses of the Joint
17 Applicants to data requests BPU 2-24⁴ and BPU 3-24⁵. For this case to be valid, there
18 would need to be additional generating capacity added, along with the associated cost for
19 such capacity.

⁴ See Exhibit JAK-4, response to BPU Data Request 2-24.

⁵ See Exhibit JAK-5, response to BPU Data Request 3-24.

1 **Q. Are there other defects in the analysis of generation savings prepared by Mr. Kemp?**

2 A. Yes. The most obvious defect is the fact that either company could implement generating
3 unit retirements without the Proposed Transaction. Pursuant to BPU 3-21⁶, Westar has at
4 least 573 MW of surplus capacity through 2020. KCP&L shows a capacity surplus based
5 on current projections of more than 400 MW through 2020.⁷

6 **Q. Would there be any reduction in the capacity requirement if the Proposed**
7 **Transaction is approved?**

8 A. Based on current transmission arrangements, no. As stated in the response to BPU 3-18⁸,
9 the Joint Applicants indicated:

10 “At the time of the Westar transaction completion, the Westar load and
11 KCP&L/KCP&L GMO load will still have separate SPP reserve margin
12 requirements just as they do today. The requirement will not change based on the
13 transaction.”

14 This response indicates that they are not expecting any meaningful reduction in capacity
15 requirements as a result of the Proposed Transaction.

16 **Q. Is it possible in the future that there will be a reduction in the amount of capacity**
17 **required?**

18 A. Yes. In the response to BPU 3-18⁹, the companies indicated there is the possibility of a
19 “slight” reduction in capacity needs. In the response to BPU 3-24¹⁰, the Joint Applicants
20 admit that any reduction would be minimal.

21 “The Joint Applicants have not calculated what the reduction in system peak
22 demand would be if the native load of both systems were combined as compared
23 to each company’s peak load on a stand-alone basis. To date, there has not been a

⁶ See Exhibit JAK-6, response to BPU Data Request 3-21.

⁷ Exhibit JAK-4, KCP&L response to BPU Data Request 2-24.

⁸ See Exhibit JAK-7, response to BPU Data Request 3-18.

⁹ See Exhibit JAK-7.

¹⁰ See Exhibit JAK-6.

1 need for such an evaluation. Given the adjoining service territories, the difference
2 is likely minimal.”¹¹

3 Based on this response, the Joint Applicants do not believe there to be any significant
4 reduction in capacity needs solely as a result of the Proposed Transaction.

5 **Q. Based on your review of the Proposed Applicants projected savings from generating**
6 **plant retirements, do you have an opinion as to whether any savings from generating**
7 **plant retirements are directly attributable to the Proposed Transaction?**

8 A. It is my opinion that none of the generation retirements included in the projected savings
9 by Mr. William Kemp are attributable to the Proposed Transaction. Each company has
10 surplus capacity as a stand-alone entity. If the Proposed Transaction is completed, the
11 individual operating companies will continue to report their load and resource comparison
12 independently. The proposed retirements in Mr. Kemp’s worksheets result in capacity
13 deficits for each company on a stand-alone basis as well as on a combined basis.

14 **Q. What would be your recommendation for the amount of savings from generating**
15 **plant retirements to include in Mr. Kemp’s analysis?**

16 A. Zero.

17 **Vegetation Management**

18 **Q. Regarding vegetation management, are Mr. Kemp’s estimated savings reasonable?**

19 A. No. Mr. Kemp’s savings projections do not appear to be reasonable for several reasons.
20 First, vegetation management costs are typically proportional to the miles of transmission
21 and distribution lines. Completion of the Proposed Transaction will not reduce the number
22 of miles of transmission and distribution lines that require vegetation management.

¹¹ See Exhibit JAK-6.

1 Therefore, any savings attributable to this function would be limited to general supervision
2 and not to front-line employees involved in executing vegetation management programs
3 for each utility.

4 **Q. What were the expected savings from vegetation management cost reductions?**

5 A. Approximately \$3 million in 2018 and beyond.

6 **Q. What do the Joint Applicants project for employee reductions in vegetation**
7 **management?**

8 A. Mr. Kemp, in response to STAFF 131¹², indicated there are 14 employees at one Joint
9 Applicant, responsible for program management, customer communication and field
10 inspection. In a different workpaper provided in response to BPU 2-1, Mr. Kemp indicated
11 that eight positions could be eliminated.¹³

12 **Q. Are the employee reductions projected by Mr. Kemp reasonable?**

13 A. No. Although it may be possible to reduce a management level employee, it would be
14 difficult to eliminate customer communication and field inspection employees. The
15 number of employees performing those functions are proportional to the amount of
16 vegetation management activity occurring. The only way to reduce the number of
17 employees engaged in customer communication and field inspection is to reduce the
18 amount of vegetation management activity. Reducing vegetation management activity
19 without reducing the miles of transmission and distribution lines would result in reduced
20 reliability, increased risk of vegetation contact and potentially could lead to violations of
21 North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) standards.

¹² See Exhibit JAK-8, page 7, slide 10.

¹³ See Exhibit JAK-9.

1 **Q. What would be a reasonable projected cost reduction from consolidating vegetation**
2 **management operations?**

3 A. A reduction of one employee rather than eight might be reasonable. The employee would
4 likely be a management level employee responsible for program management.

5 **Distribution Capital Expenditure Savings**

6 **Q. What are the Joint Applicants projecting for savings from distribution capital**
7 **expenditures?**

8 A. Mr. Kemp suggests that the Joint Applicants could reduce distribution capital expenditures
9 for Westar by decreasing the cost per customer to that of KCP&L. His analysis projects
10 savings of \$66 to \$76 million per year based on this approach.

11 **Q. Is this reasonable?**

12 A. No. The approach selected by Mr. Kemp does not account for factors such as customer
13 density, differences in terrain, accessibility of distribution lines and percentage of
14 distribution miles that are underground as compared to overhead.

15 **Q. Is there a better metric than using the company with the lower cost per customer as**
16 **a proxy for costs if the Proposed Transaction were implemented?**

17 A. A more appropriate metric would likely be cost per line mile. It would be preferable to do
18 a separate analysis for overhead and underground lines; however, Mr. Kemp's analysis did
19 not provide overhead and underground line capital expenditures separately. Exhibit JAK-
20 10 also shows that KCP&L spends more per mile than Westar in 2016 and 2017, while
21 Westar spends more in 2018 through 2020. If Westar reduced its capital expenditures per
22 mile of line to the level of KCP&L, the reduction would be \$14 to \$20 million per year in
23 2018 through 2020. This is a significantly lower amount than Mr. Kemp projected.

Impact on Consumers

Q. How does an increase in costs paid by KCBPU affect consumers?

A. As a municipal utility owned by its consumers, any increase in costs paid by KCBPU must be passed through to ultimate consumers. There are no “shareholders” to absorb increased costs. An increase in transmission service costs would have to be recovered in the retail rates paid by KCBPU consumers.

Q. How does the Proposed Transaction impact the rates paid by KCBPU for transmission service?

A. There are two factors associated with the Proposed Transaction that could increase transmission rates paid by KCBPU. The first potentially adverse impact relates to higher interest costs if Great Plains Energy experiences a deterioration of its credit rating. The second potential impact is related to a rate increase for KCBPU when Great Plains Energy consolidates its transmission assets into a single transmission pricing zone.

Q. How is Great Plains Energy planning to finance the Proposed Transaction?

A. Great Plains Energy has secured \$8 billion in debt financing, \$750 million in mandatorily preferred convertible equity and is assuming \$3.6 billion in debt from Westar.¹⁴

Q. How do the major ratings agencies view the financing plan for the Proposed Transaction?

A. Standard & Poor’s, Moody’s Investor Service and Fitch Ratings have all taken a negative view of the financing plan through ratings actions involving Great Plains Energy, KCP&L and Westar. On May 31, 2016, Standard & Poor’s revised the outlook on Great Plains

¹⁴ See Exhibit JAK-11, “Great Plains Energy to Acquire Westar Energy, Creating Long-Term Value for Shareholder and Cost Savings for Customers.” Issued by Great Plains Energy, Inc. on 5/31/2016.

1 Energy, KCP&L and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations from “stable” to “negative” to
2 reflect its view that “GPE’s financial risk profile will weaken due to the proposed
3 financing, pressuring GPE’s overall credit profile for the next few years.”¹⁵

4 **Q. How does the deterioration of GPE’s bond rating affect borrowing costs for the**
5 **KCP&L and Westar operating companies?**

6 Typically, if an entity’s credit profile deteriorates, its borrowing costs will increase to
7 reflect increased investor risk. As described in the Direct Testimony of Jonathan A. Lesser,
8 a decrease in the credit rating at the holding company level can result in an increase in
9 borrowing costs at the operating company level.¹⁶ In addition to Standard and Poor’s
10 revising its outlook for Great Plains Energy, Moody’s also placed the credit ratings for
11 senior unsecured debt as well as preferred stock and subordinate debt on review for
12 downgrade shortly after the Westar acquisition was announced.¹⁷ Finally, although Fitch
13 Ratings does not publish a credit rating for Great Plains Energy, it did place the Issuer
14 Default Rating for Westar Energy, Inc. on Ratings Watch Negative after the acquisition
15 was announced.¹⁸

16 **Q. Does an increase in borrowing costs for KCP&L and Westar automatically get passed**
17 **through to transmission service customers?**

18 A. Yes. KCP&L and Westar have each implemented a formula rate protocol. Through this
19 protocol, various operating costs, load data, and other financial parameters are entered into

¹⁵ See Exhibit JAK-12, S&P Global Ratings, “Great Plains Energy Inc. Ratings Affirmed, Outlook Revised to Negative on Proposed Acquisition of Westar Energy.” May 31, 2016.

¹⁶ See Direct Testimony of Jonathan A. Lesser.

¹⁷ See Exhibit JAK-13, Moody’s Investor Services, “Rating Action: Moody’s Places Great Plains Energy on Review for Downgrade; Westar Energy, Kansas City Power & Light and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Affirmed; Outlooks Stable.” May 31, 2016.

¹⁸ See Exhibit JAK-14, Fitch Ratings, “Fitch Places Westar on Negative Watch Following Acquisition Announcement.” June 1, 2016.

1 a rate template on an annual basis. The inputs are primarily based on FERC Form No. 1
2 data on an after-the-fact basis.

3 One of the parameters that is included in both the KCP&L and Westar formula rate
4 templates is interest on long-term debt.¹⁹ While the return on common equity cannot be
5 changed without regulatory approval, the interest on long-term debt is an element of the
6 revenue requirement calculation that is passed-through without regulatory oversight.

7 If the financial structure of the Proposed Transaction affects the perceived credit
8 quality of KCP&L or Westar and increases long-term interest rates, there would be an
9 increase in the long-term debt component of the return (R) in the formula rate.²⁰ The return
10 is multiplied by rate base to determine the amount of return on rate base to include in the
11 gross revenue requirements.²¹

12 **Q. Great Plains Energy has proposed a “Hold-Harmless” provision as part of its**
13 **application. Would this protect transmission customers from adverse impacts from**
14 **the Proposed Transaction?**

15 A. No. The hold-harmless provisions proposed by Great Plains Energy would not protect rate-
16 payers from adverse impacts associated with the financial structure of the proposed
17 acquisition of Westar. Great Plains Energy has not included any protections for wholesale
18 or retail customers from increased interest rates or return on equity resulting from the
19 transaction. For wholesale customers like KCBPU, the current rate template for KCP&L
20 and KCP&L GMO states that the interest cost of all Great Plains Energy debt is used to

¹⁹ See Exhibit JAK-15, “Rate Formula Template Utility FERC Form 1 Data, Actual Gross Revenue Requirements for the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2014, Kansas City Power & Light Company.” Retrieved from <http://sppoasis.spp.org/documents/SWPP/MemberRelatedPostings/MemberRelatedPostings.asp> on September 15, 2016.

²⁰ See Exhibit JAK-15, page 4, line 21, column (7).

²¹ See Exhibit JAK-15, page 2, line 26.

1 determine the interest expense component for both transmission zones. Based on this
2 provision, it appears that increased interest cost even at the holding company level would
3 result in an increase in transmission rates.

4 Further, as described in greater detail in the testimony of Jonathan Lesser, many of
5 the projected merger savings appear to be overstated. The “hold harmless” provisions
6 proposed by the Applicants do not protect consumers from adverse impacts of higher
7 borrowing costs that directly result from credit rating downgrades caused by the Proposed
8 Transaction if the projected merger savings do not materialize.

9 **Q. How does the structure of the Proposed Transaction affect transmission rates for**
10 **Westar?**

11 A. Westar has not proposed any changes to its formula rate to account for the proposed
12 transaction. Based on the structure of the Proposed Transaction, there is the potential for
13 an increase in transmission rates because Great Plains Energy is assuming the debt
14 obligations for Westar are part of the transaction.

15 The application makes it unclear if existing Westar debt would continue to be
16 treated as Westar debt for purposes of the formula rate, or if existing Westar debt would be
17 assumed by Great Plains Energy and held at the holding company level. If Westar’s debt
18 is assumed by Great Plains Energy at the holding company level, the capital structure for
19 Westar would consist of 100% equity. The return on equity included in the formula rate for
20 2017 is 10.3%, compared to the interest rate on long-term debt of 5.17%.²² The gross
21 revenue requirements would increase from \$244 million to \$312 million, an increase of

²² See Exhibit JAK-16, “Westar Energy Inc. Rate Formula Template, 2017 Rate Year”, Retrieved from [https://www.oasis.oati.com/WR/WRdocs/TransmissionFormulaRate\(TFR\)20161015_Projection_\(2017_Rate_Year\).xlsx](https://www.oasis.oati.com/WR/WRdocs/TransmissionFormulaRate(TFR)20161015_Projection_(2017_Rate_Year).xlsx) on November 22, 2016.

1 approximately 28%.²³ The existing hold-harmless commitment by Great Plains Energy
2 does not appear to address this potentially adverse impact to ratepayers.

3 **Q. Since KCBPU is currently interconnected to two separate zones, how are**
4 **transmission rates determined?**

5 A. Because KCBPU is interconnected to two separate transmission pricing zones under the
6 SPP OATT, the rates paid by KCBPU are somewhat complicated. The most significant
7 element of the transmission service charge is the rate that BPU pays for firm point-to-point
8 transmission service under Schedule 7 or 8 of the SPP OATT.²⁴

9 Under the SPP OATT, transmission service under Schedule 7 (Firm Point-to-Point
10 transmission service) and 8 (Non-Firm Point-to-Point Transmission Service) is billed based
11 on the lowest zonal rate among the zones to which KCBPU is interconnected. Currently,
12 the KCP&L zonal rate for monthly firm transmission service for Schedule 7 is
13 approximately \$0.912/kW, as compared to Westar's Schedule 7 monthly firm transmission
14 service rate of \$3.638/kW.²⁵ Therefore, KCBPU pays the KCP&L zonal rate for monthly
15 firm transmission service for its 180 MW of point-to-point reservations.²⁶

16 **Q. Would Great Plains Energy have any reasons to combine KCP&L, KCP&L GMO**
17 **and Westar into a single transmission zone for rate-making purposes?**

18 A. Yes. At this point, it is known that Great Plains Energy plans several steps to extract savings
19 from the Proposed Transaction. Great Plains Energy has identified certain areas such as

²³ See Exhibit JAK-17.

²⁴ While KCBPU uses Schedule 8, Non-Firm Point-to-Point service, its use varies significantly based on operating conditions, market prices and load conditions. While there would be a financial impact for Schedule 8 service with a consolidation of the KCP&L and Westar transmission pricing zones, it is a smaller than the impact for Schedule 7 and is not included in this analysis.

²⁵ See Exhibit JAK-18, SPP Price Matrix, retrieved September 15, 2016.

²⁶ The 180 MW of point-to-point reservations was based on settlement statements for July 2016. KCBPU has other pending long-term requests that may increase firm transmission service capacity in the future.

1 headquarters staffing and procurement practices that are likely to be consolidated. Another
2 area that Great Plains Energy could consolidate operations is with the transmission
3 facilities of its three operating companies. This could be done in a number of ways,
4 including a spin-off of all transmission assets to an independent transmission company, a
5 reorganization that puts all transmission assets into a single operating company under the
6 Great Plains Energy holding company, or by requesting that SPP create a single
7 transmission pricing zone with multiple owners.

8 One of the tests that SPP will use to determine if a single pricing zone is appropriate
9 is the physical integration of the various facilities. As noted in the Application, KCP&L
10 and Westar share several interconnections, as do KCP&L and KCP&L GMO. SPP would
11 be likely to accept the request to consolidate the transmission facilities into a single zone
12 because there is existing physical integration.²⁷

13 There are other motivations that Great Plains Energy would have to consolidate its
14 three zones. These motivations include simplifying the administration of the formula rate
15 protocols by replacing three independent protocols with a single protocol. A single
16 transmission pricing zone decreases the number of protocols, rate filings and customer
17 meetings by two-thirds. There would likely be accounting cost reductions if Great Plains
18 Energy consolidated its transmission accounting from three separate companies into a
19 single system.

20 **Q. Could the Westar zone be combined with the KCP&L and KCP&L GMO zones**
21 **absent the Proposed Transaction?**

²⁷ In Docket. No. ER16-204-001, SPP agreed to the request by Tri-State Generation and Transmission, Inc. ("Tri-State") to include its facilities in the Nebraska Public Power District ("NPPD") zone. A significant factor in this decision was the degree of physical integration of Tri-State's facilities with NPPD's facilities. This case is still being litigated.

1 A. It would be unlikely that the two zones would be consolidated absent an acquisition of
2 Westar by Great Plains Energy for the simple reason that KCP&L would be faced with a
3 significant rate increase for its own customer base which would directly benefit a
4 competitor (in this case, Westar), and that rate increase would not be offset by sufficient
5 administrative cost reductions.

6 **Q. What is the rate impact to KCBPU if the KCP&L, KCP&L GMO and Westar zones**
7 **are combined?**

8 A. Exhibit JAK-19 provides an estimate based on the SPP “Revenue Requirements and Rates”
9 file, dated August 1, 2016, of what the revenue requirements and Schedule 7 firm point
10 rates would be for a combined pricing zone consisting of KCP&L, KCP&L GMO and
11 Westar. This rate is based on the filed zonal revenue requirements and combined divisor
12 without taking into account differences in the formulas between the three zones. I chose
13 this methodology because the ultimate consolidation would be based on a number of
14 unknown factors primarily under the control of the merged company. At this point, it is
15 impossible to know how the merged company would resolve those differences in
16 methodology. Based on this simplified methodology, a combined zone would have a
17 Schedule 7 Firm Point-to-Point rate of approximately \$2.261/kW-month.

18 If the three zones were permitted to be combined into a single transmission zone,
19 KCBPU would go from paying the lower of the current KCP&L and Westar rates to paying
20 the single combined rate. This would represent a possible increase from \$0.912/kW-month
21 to \$2.261/kW-month, or an increase of 148%.

22 As of August 2016, KCBPU has 180 MW of monthly point-to-point transmission
23 service reserved under the SPP OATT. Based on the increase in the rate and the

1 reservations in place, BPU would be faced with the potential for a \$2.9 million annual
2 increase for transmission service as a result of the Proposed Transaction.²⁸

3 **Q. Has the applicant committed that it will not seek consolidation of the KCP&L,**
4 **KCP&L GMO and Westar transmission systems into a single pricing zone under the**
5 **SPP Tariff?**

6 A. No. The hold-harmless provisions filed by Great Plains Energy do not include any
7 protection from the adverse impact of a potential combination of the three transmission
8 pricing zones that would be owned by Great Plains Energy. The failure on the part of Great
9 Plains Energy to include in its hold-harmless provision a commitment to maintain separate
10 transmission pricing zones for KCP&L, KCP&L GMO and Westar has a disproportionate
11 impact to BPU since it pays the lower of the KCP&L and Westar zonal rates.

12 **Q. Are transmission rates regulated by the FERC? If so, why is KCBPU seeking**
13 **protections at the KCC for matters that are FERC jurisdictional?**

14 A. Yes, the formula rates implemented by Westar and KCP&L are regulated by FERC under
15 the SPP OATT. However, the KCBPU has significant interests in this proceeding.
16 KCBPU, along with a number of other interveners in this case, filed protests at FERC and
17 identified several deficiencies in the hold-harmless provisions as they related to the
18 transmission formula rate. The KCC noted that at least one proposed hold-harmless
19 provision is subject to its jurisdiction.²⁹ For this reason, KCBPU raises issues related to the
20 Joint Applicants transmission rates, potential degradation of credit rating and potential
21 remedies in this proceeding. Further, the increase in transmission service costs would have

²⁸ See Exhibit JAK-20.

²⁹ Motion for Leave to Answer and Answer of the Kansas Corporation Commission, FERC Docket No. EC16-146-000 (October 11, 2016).

1 a direct impact on KCBPU's retail customers as any transmission rate increase would need
2 to be passed through in the form a retail rate increase.

3 **Impact on Public Safety**

4 **Q. Are there risks to public safety associated with the Proposed Transaction?**

5 A. Yes. The primary risk is related to potential cost-reduction measures suggested by the Joint
6 Applicants. The Joint Applicants indicated that vegetation management and distribution
7 capital expenditure reductions would be a primary source of potential savings.

8 **Q. Could these cost reductions pose a risk to public safety?**

9 A. Yes. Reductions in vegetation management expenditures pose a risk to public safety. If
10 vegetation falls into a distribution line and causes it to fall to the ground, there is the
11 potential for human contact. Tree contacts that do not result in line failure represent a
12 potential public safety risk to people that come into close proximity to the contact. Outages
13 caused by increased tree contacts have an indirect impact on public safety by affecting
14 service to retail applications that affect public safety, including street lights, traffic signals,
15 elevators, and home health care equipment.

16 **Q. How does a reduction in capital expenditures pose a risk to public safety?**

17 A. Reduced capital expenditures for distribution facilities may affect public safety if aging
18 facilities are not replaced or refurbished when they become unreliable or dangerous. If
19 wood poles are kept in service longer than they should, the risk of a catastrophic failure
20 increases and places the public at greater risk for injury or death.

21 **Remedies**

22 **Q. How could the Commission and Joint Applicants address KCBPU's concerns related**
23 **to transmission rates?**

1 A. The Commission and Joint Applicants could remedy the potentially detrimental impacts of
2 the proposed acquisition on KCBPU by implementing measures designed to protect the
3 credit rating of the regulated subsidiaries. These measures are further described in the
4 Direct Testimony of Jonathan Lesser.³⁰ These measures are designed to limit Great Plains
5 Energy's ability to extract cash from its regulated utility subsidiaries. In addition, the Joint
6 Applicants could agree to maintain separate transmission zones and agree it would not take
7 any steps that could result in its three separate transmission zones being consolidated into
8 a single zone under the SPP OATT.

9 **Closing**

10 **Q. In closing, please summarize your recommendations regarding the Proposed**
11 **Transaction.**

12 A. In conclusion, KCBPU and other KCP&L and Westar transmission customers, and the
13 Kansas City, Kansas community, would be adversely impacted from a rate standpoint if
14 the KCP&L or Westar operating company experiences a degradation in its credit quality.
15 The hold-harmless provisions included in the Great Plains Energy filing do not provide
16 adequate protections to KCBPU and other transmission service customers from adverse
17 impacts related to a degradation of credit quality of the merging companies.

18 KCBPU would be exposed to the potential for a rate increase of 148% based on
19 current zonal Schedule 7 rates for KCP&L if Great Plains Energy consolidates its three
20 operating companies into a single transmission pricing zone. Again, the hold-harmless
21 provisions included in the Great Plains Energy filing do not provide protections to KCBPU
22 and other KCP&L transmission customers against an adverse rate impact.

³⁰ See Direct Testimony of Jonathan Lesser, pages 109-111.

1 The projected operational savings appear to be significantly overstated. In
2 particular:

- 3 1. The generation retirements identified by the Joint Applicants do not appear
4 to be reasonable as they would result in the combined company having a
5 500 MW capacity deficit in 2020. In addition, savings from generating plant
6 retirements were incorrectly attributed to the Proposed Transaction when
7 either company could undertake generating plant retirements on a stand-
8 alone basis.
- 9 2. Savings from vegetation management appear to be overstated and, if
10 implemented, could cause a degradation in reliability for transmission and
11 distribution customers.
- 12 3. Savings from distribution capital expenditures appear to be overstated
13 because they do not account for differing customer density. A more
14 appropriate methodology would be based on cost per mile.

15 **Q. Does this conclude your Direct Testimony?**

16 **A. Yes, it does.**

EXHIBIT JAK-1

Summary of Qualifications

Mr. Krajewski is a registered professional engineer with more than 20 years of experience in the electric utility industry, working for a joint action agency and two consulting firms. His areas of expertise include power supply resource planning, transmission access, regulatory affairs, wholesale and retail rate design, and distribution system planning. As an employee of the NMPP/MEAN, Mr. Krajewski developed the Cost of Service / Rate Design Study service. Over the last 13 years, he has prepared cost of service and rate design studies for more than 40 municipal utilities.

Some of his major accomplishments include:

- Project Manager for Nebraska's first utility scale wind farm, the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN) Wind Farm in Kimball, consisting of seven 1.5 MW wind turbine generators and completed in 2002.
- Responsible for resource planning, operating budget preparation, wholesale rate design, and long-term financial and rate projections for MEAN from 2000 through 2008. Annual operating revenues for MEAN exceeded \$100 million in 2008.
- Prepared Integrated Resource Plans, resource plans, and power supply contract negotiations for utilities in nine states.
- Testified before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Nebraska Power Review Board, Kansas Corporation Commission, and Hawaii Public Utilities Commission on various issues related to transmission access, application for construction of new power supply resources and retail rate issues.
- Experience in requesting transmission service, reviewing interconnection studies, and integrating new generation resources into the regional transmission system.

Work History

1992-1996	Power Supply Engineer – Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN)
1996-2000	Consulting Engineer – Sawvel and Associates, Inc.
2000-2008	Manager of Planning and Engineering – MEAN / NMPP Energy
2008-2009	Project Manager – JEO Consulting Group, Inc.
2009-Present	President – JK Energy Consulting, LLC

Education

Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, 1992
University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Industry Organizations / Committees

- American Public Power Association – Individual Associate Member
- National / Nebraska Society of Professional Engineers
- Mid-Continent Area Power Pool – Design Review Subcommittee, 2002-2008
- Midwest Reliability Organization – Reliability Assessment Committee, 2005-2008
- Nebraska Sub-regional Transmission Planning Group, 2000-2008
- Nebraska Power Association – Joint Planning Subcommittee, 2000-2008
- Southwest Power Pool – Cost Allocation Working Group – Nebraska representative, March 2011-present

Professional Registrations

Professional Engineer, Year of Original Registration, License Number

- Kansas, 1999, License #15833
- Nebraska, 2000, License #9992
- Iowa, 2008, License #19210

EXHIBIT JAK-2

List of Regulatory Proceedings and Other Projects
John A. Krajewski, P.E.

Regulatory Agency	Utility	Proceeding	Issues and/or Scope	Client	Year
Federal					
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)	Western Resources / Kansas City Power & Light (KCPL)	Docket Nos. EC97-56-000 / ER97-4669-000	Transmission issues, load flow issues, effects of merger on operations, generation dispatch, and transmission availability	Kansas City, KS Board of Public Utilities	1999
FERC	Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN) / Transmission Access Policy Study Group (TAPS)	Docket No. AD04-13	Written comments and comments regarding transmission and ancillary service issues related to wind energy	MEAN / TAPS	2004
FERC	Great Plains Energy Incorporated / Westar Energy, Inc.	Docket No. EC16-146-000	Effects of merger on transmission rates, interconnection and other operational issues	Kansas City, KS Board of Public Utilities	2016
State					
Kansas Corporation Commission	Western Resources / KCPL	Docket No. 97-WSRG-676-MER	Transmission issues, load flow issues, effects of merger on operations, generation dispatch, and transmission availability	Kansas City, KS Board of Public Utilities	1999
Hawaii Public Utilities Commission	Hawaii Electric Light Company, Inc.	Docket No. 99-0207	Generation dispatch, need for additional generation, avoided cost determination	Division of Consumer Advocacy, State of Hawaii	2000
Nebraska Power Review Board (NPRB)	MEAN	Application No. PRB-3350	Engineering Feasibility Study for construction of wind energy generation facility	MEAN	2001
NPRB	MEAN	Application No. PRB-3376	Engineering Feasibility Study for Council Bluffs Energy Center Unit #4	MEAN	2001
District Court of Jefferson County, Nebraska	City of Fairbury, NE	Endicott Clay Products vs. City of Fairbury / Case No. CI06-195	Expert witness on rate issue	City of Fairbury, NE	2008
NPRB	City of Wisner, NE	Application No. PRB-3582-G	Engineering Feasibility Study for construction of peaking generation	City of Wisner, NE	2008
Kansas Corporation Commission	City of Garden City, KS	Docket No. 14-SEPE-287-CON	Transmission rates; transmission contract negotiation	City of Garden City, KS	2014
United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri, Springfield Division	City of Springfield, MO	Case No. 14-CV-03543-JTM	Expert witness on curtailment issue	City of Springfield, MO	2015
Kansas Corporation Commission	Kansas City Board of Public Utilities	Docket No. 16-KCPE-593-ACQ	Merger of Great Plains Energy and Westar	Kansas City, KS Board of Public Utilities	2016
Local					
Village Board	Village of Lyman, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Lyman, NE	2001 2005
City Council	City of Bridgeport, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Bridgeport, NE	2001 2005
Village Board	Village of Oxford, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Oxford, NE	2001
City Council	City of Curtis, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Curtis, NE	2001 2006
City Council	City of Bayard, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design, impact of loss of major industrial customer	City of Bayard, NE	2001 2006
City Council	City of Friend, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Friend, NE	2001

Regulatory Agency	Utility	Proceeding	Issues and/or Scope	Client	Year
Town Board of Trustees	Town of Lyons, CO	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design, impact of loss of major industrial customer	Town of Lyons, CO	2002 2006
Village Board	Village of Polk, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Polk, NE	2002
City Council	City of Sargent, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Sargent, NE	2002 2007
City Council	City of Central City, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Central City, NE	2002 2006
City Council	City of Holdrege, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Holdrege, NE	2002 2006
City Council	City of Crete, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Crete, NE	2002 2006 2010 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016
City Council	City of Wood River, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Wood River, NE	2002 2004 2007 2009 2011 2014
City Council	City of Yuma, CO	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Yuma, CO	2002 2015
Village Board	Village of Shickley, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Shickley, NE	2002 2007 2014
City Council	City of Imperial, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Imperial, NE	2003 2007
City Council	City of Neligh, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Neligh, NE	2003
Village Board	Village of Morrill, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Morrill, NE	2003
Village Board	Village of Emerson, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Emerson, NE	2003
City Council	City of Kimball, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Kimball, NE	2003
Village Board	Village of Everly, IA	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Everly, IA	2003
Town Board of Trustees	Town of Lyons, CO	Water and Wastewater Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design, impact of major capital improvements, implementation of major rate increase and structure change, sensitivity of revenue to major rate change	Town of Lyons, CO	2003
Village Board	Village of Hemingford, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Hemingford, NE	2003
City Council	City of Sidney, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Sidney, NE	2003
City Council	City of Mitchell, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Mitchell, NE	2003
City Council	City of Burwell, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Burwell, NE	2004
City Council	City of Franklin, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Franklin, NE	2004 2014
Village Board	Village of Stuart, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Stuart, NE	2004
City Council	City of Gothenburg, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Gothenburg, NE	2004
City Council	City of La Junta, CO	Electric, Water, Wastewater, Trash Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of La Junta, CO	2005
Village Board	Village of Chappell, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Chappell, NE	2005

Regulatory Agency	Utility	Proceeding	Issues and/or Scope	Client	Year
Village Board	Village of Callaway, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Callaway, NE	2005
Village Board	Village of Bradshaw, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Bradshaw, NE	2005
City Council	City of Blue Hill, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Blue Hill, NE	2005
Village Board	Village of Arnold, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Arnold, NE	2006
Village Board	Village of Ansley, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Ansley, NE	2006
City Council	City of Alliance, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Alliance, NE	2006
City Council	City of Delta, CO	Electric, Water, Wastewater, Trash Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Delta, CO	2006
City Council	City of West Point, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of West Point, NE	2006 2010 2013
Town Board of Trustees	Town of Haxtun, CO	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Town of Haxtun, CO	2007
City Council	City of Fairbury, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Fairbury, NE	2007
City Council	City of South Sioux City, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of South Sioux City, NE	2007 2011
City Council	City of Beatrice, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Beatrice, NE	2008
City Council	City of Syracuse, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Syracuse, NE	2008
City Council	City of Battle Creek, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Battle Creek, NE	2008
City Council	City of Wakefield, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Wakefield, NE	2008 2011 2012 2013 2014
City Council	City of Fountain, CO	Update of Electric Cost Adjustment	Cost of service, rate design	City of Fountain, CO	2008 2011 2012 2013 2014
City Council	City of Fremont, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Fremont, NE	2008 2010 2015
City Council	City of Glenwood Springs, CO	Electric, Water, Wastewater, Natural Gas Financial Analysis	Revenue adequacy analysis; cost of service, rate design, rate review	City of Glenwood Springs, CO	2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015
Board of Directors	Norris Public Power District	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Norris Public Power District	2009 2013 2014 2015
City Council	City of Falls City, NE	Electric, Water, Wastewater, Natural Gas Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Falls City, NE	2010 2013 2014 2016
City Council	City of Beatrice, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	JEO Consulting Group, Inc.	2010
City Council	City of Laurel, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Beatrice, NE	2010
			Cost of service, rate design	City of Laurel, NE	2012

Regulatory Agency	Utility	Proceeding	Issues and/or Scope	Client	Year
City Council	City of Lexington, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Lexington, NE	2010 2011
City Council	City of Fountain, CO	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Fountain, CO	2011 2013
City Council	Indianola Municipal Utilities	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Indianola, IA	2012 2015
City Council	City of Sergeant Bluff, IA	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Sergeant Bluff, IA	2012 2013 2015
Village Board	Village of Giltner, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Giltner, NE	2014
Village Board	Village of Shickley, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Village of Shickley, NE	2014
City Council	City of Randolph, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Randolph, NE	2014
City Council	City of Fort Morgan, CO	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design, rate review	City of Fort Morgan, CO	2014 2016
Board of Utilities	Eldridge Electric & Water Utilities	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Eldridge Electric & Water Utilities	2015
Village Board	Village of Hampton, NE	Electric Cost of Service Study	Cost of Service, rate design	Village of Hampton, NE	2015
City Council	City of Yuma, CO	Water and Wastewater Cost of Service Study	Cost of Service, rate design	City of Yuma, CO	2015
City Council	City of Fort Morgan, CO	Sanitation Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	City of Fort Morgan, CO	2016
Non-Regulatory Projects					
	Kansas City, KS Board of Public Utilities	Evaluation of Deactivating Kaw Station	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	Kansas City, KS Board of Public Utilities	1997
	Kansas City, KS Board of Public Utilities	Electric, Water Cost of Service Study	Cost of service, rate design	Kansas City, KS Board of Public Utilities	1997
	MEAN	Integrated Resource Plan	Power supply analysis, demand side measure evaluation	MEAN	1997 2002 2007
	Marshfield (WI) Electric and Water Departments	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	Marshfield (WI) Electric and Water Departments	1998
	Manitowoc (WI) Public Utilities	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	Manitowoc (WI) Public Utilities	1998
	Great Lakes (WI) Utilities	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	Great Lakes (WI) Utilities	2000
	Rolla Municipal Utilities / University of Missouri - Rolla	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, screening analysis of generation, cogeneration and purchased power alternatives	Rolla Municipal Utilities / University of Missouri - Rolla	2000
	Nebraska City (NE) Utilities	Integrated Resource Plan	Power supply analysis, demand side measure evaluation	City of Nebraska City, NE	2002 2007
	City of Falls City, NE	Integrated Resource Plan	Power supply analysis, demand side measure evaluation	City of Falls City, NE	2002 2007 2012
	Imperial (NE) Public Power District	Cogeneration Analysis	Screening analysis of generation, cogeneration and purchased power alternatives	Imperial (NE) Public Power District	2003
	Nebraska City (NE) Utilities	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis	City of Nebraska City, NE	2003
	City of Neligh, NE	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis	City of Neligh, NE	2004
	City of Aspen, CO	Business Plan Development	Review cost of service and rate design	City of Aspen, CO	2004
	City of Gillette, WY	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis	City of Gillette, WY	2005

Regulatory Agency	Utility	Proceeding	Issues and/or Scope	Client	Year
City of Wood River, NE	Contract Negotiations, Financing Assistance for Major Load Addition, Application for Power Review Board Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct Transmission Line	Power Supply Study	Major load addition (ethanol plant)	City of Wood River, NE	2006
		Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis	City of Indianola, IA	2008
		Distribution System Analysis	Financial assessment of distribution system, upgrades including power costs (Losses), transmission and sub-transmission service costs, and financing costs	City of Carlisle, IA JEO Consulting Group, Inc.	2008 2009
City of Sergeant Bluff, IA City of Breda, IA City of Laurei, NE	Power Supply Study Wind Energy Rate Development	Power supply analysis	Power supply analysis	City of Sergeant Bluff, IA	2009
		Rate Development	Rate and contract development for major load addition	City of Breda, IA City of Laurei, NE	2009 2009 2010
		Sustainability Study	CO2 emission inventory, energy use analysis, review of cost effective energy efficiency measures, review of cost effective renewable energy resources	City of Indianola, IA (with grant funding from Iowa Power Fund)	2010 2012
City of Jackson, OH	NERC Compliance Assistance	NERC Compliance Assistance	Prepare documentation, provide monthly updates of NERC related activities	City of Jackson, OH	2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015
ARPA	NERC Compliance Assistance	NERC Compliance Assistance	Review status of reliability compliance program and prepare letter to WECC requesting confirmation that ARPA is not subject registration on the NERC Compliance Registry	Arkansas River Power Authority	2011
Village of Emerson, NE	Wind Energy	Wind Energy	Financial analysis of wind energy resources	Village of Emerson, NE	2011
City of Wayne, NE	Wind Energy	Wind Energy	Financial analysis of wind energy resources	JEO Consulting Group, Inc.	2011
Lamar (CO) Utility Board	Transmission Planning	Transmission Planning	Develop rate for use of 69 kV lines	City of Lamar, CO	2011
City of Sargent, NE	Power Cost Analysis	Power Cost Analysis	Power cost analysis	City of Sargent, NE	2011
ARPA	Integrated Resource Plan	Integrated Resource Plan	Power supply analysis, demand side measure evaluation	Arkansas River Power Authority	2012
ARPA	Power Supply Study	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	Arkansas River Power Authority	2012 2013 2014
ARPA	Long-Term Financial Planning	Long-Term Financial Planning	Rate analysis, long-term financial projections	Arkansas River Power Authority	2012
City of Crete, NE	Local Generation	Local Generation	Power supply cost analysis	City of Crete, NE	2012
City of Fort Morgan, CO	NERC Compliance Assistance	NERC Compliance Assistance	Review status of reliability compliance program and prepare letter for City use documenting exemption from requirement to register under NERC Compliance Registry	City of Fort Morgan, CO	2012 2013

Regulatory Agency	Utility	Proceeding	Issues and/or Scope	Client	Year
	Confidential municipal client		Assistance in reviewing feasibility of establishing a municipal utility	Exponential Engineering	2012
					2013
	City of Falls City, NE	Economic Development	Assistance in developing rates and generation/transmission plan for economic development purposes	City of Falls City, NE	2012
	City of Fountain, CO	Smart Grid Project	Assistance in developing rate for customers who choose to "opt out" of advanced metering infrastructure installation	City of Fountain, CO	2012
	City of Garden City, KS	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	City of Garden City, KS	2012
	City of Guttenberg, IA	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	City of Guttenberg, IA	2012
	Indianola Municipal Utilities	NERC Compliance Assistance	Review status of reliability compliance program and prepare letter for City use documenting exemption from requirement to register under NERC Compliance Registry	City of Indianola, IA	2012
	City of Stanhope, IA	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	City of Stanhope, IA	2012
	City of Wood River, NE	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	City of Wood River, NE	2012
	City of Pierce, NE	Joint Use of Rate	Develop rate for joint use of distribution facilities with neighboring utilities	City of Pierce / Northeast Nebraska PPD	2013
	City of West Point, IA	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	City of West Point, IA	2013
	City of Fort Morgan, CO	Power Cost Analysis Assistance	Review of power supply costs; assistance in optimizing future resource costs; rate review	City of Fort Morgan, CO	2013
	City of Auburn, IA	Power Cost Analysis Assistance	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	City of Auburn, IA	2013
	City of Laurel, NE	Power Cost Analysis Assistance	Review of power supply costs; rate review	City of Laurel, NE	2013
	Verdigre Land and Wind Partners, LLC	Wind Energy	Assistance in requesting transmission interconnection	Verdigre Land and Wind Partners, LLC	2014
	Village of Snyder, NE	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	Village of Snyder, NE	2014
	City of Coffeyville, KS	Generating Capacity	Analysis of value of generating capacity	City of Coffeyville, KS	2014
	City of Fountain, CO	NERC Compliance Assistance	Review status of reliability compliance program for City	City of Fountain, CO	2015
	City of Beatrice, NE	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	City of Beatrice, NE	2015
	City of Glenwood Springs, CO	Local Generation	Assistance in determining the feasibility of adding local generation	City of Glenwood Springs, CO	2015
	City of Sergeant Bluff, IA	Renewable Generation	Prepare economic assessment of renewable generation	City of Sergeant Bluff, IA	2015

Regulatory Agency	Utility	Proceeding	Issues and/or Scope	Client	Year
	Confidential Client	Power Supply	Assistance in reviewing feasibility of establishing back-up electric power supply using power supply agreements and on-site generation	SEGA, Inc.	2015
	Auburn Board of Public Works	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	Auburn Board of Public Works	2015
	City of Madison, NE	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	City of Madison, NE	2015
	City of Seward, NE	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	City of Seward, NE	2015
	City of Hebron, NE	Power Supply Study	Power supply analysis, solicitation and review of proposals	City of Hebron, NE	2016

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EXHIBIT JAK-3

Westar Surplus / (Deficit)

	<u>Proj</u> <u>2017</u>	<u>Proj</u> <u>2018</u>	<u>Proj</u> <u>2019</u>	<u>Proj</u> <u>2020</u>
a) Peak Native Load Forecast *	5,066	5,120	5,174	5,234
b) Firm Sales	0	0	0	0
c) Capacity Sales	541	541	369	369
d) Generating Resources	6,325	6,340	6,340	6,340
d1) Generation Retirement (1)		729	729	729
Lawrence		474	474	474
Murray Gill		190	190	190
Tecumseh		65	65	65
e) Firm Purchases	0	0	0	0
f) Capacity Purchases	508	508	508	508
g) % Reserve Margin = [(-b - c + d -d1 + e + f) - a] / a	24%	9%	11%	10%
g1) Surplus without Retirements	618	573	684	617
g) MW Capacity Above SPP 12% reserve requirement = (- b - c + d + e + f) - (1.12 * a)	618	-156	-45	-112

(1) See response to BPU 3-14.

KCP&L Surplus / (Deficit)

	<u>Proj</u> <u>2017</u>	<u>Proj</u> <u>2018</u>	<u>Proj</u> <u>2019</u>	<u>Proj</u> <u>2020</u>
a) Reported Surplus	417	416	416	413
b) Generation Retirement (1)	0	0	437	801
Sibley			97	461
Montrose			340	340
c) Adjusted Surplus	417	416	-21	-388

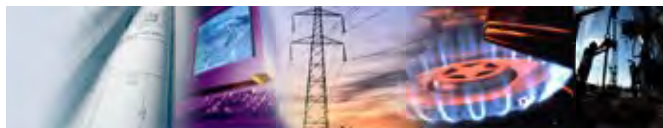
(1) See response to BPU 3-14.

Prepared in response to KCBPU 3.21 - Project Planning Reserve Margin

Combined Utility Surplus / (Deficit)

	<u>Proj</u> <u>2017</u>	<u>Proj</u> <u>2018</u>	<u>Proj</u> <u>2019</u>	<u>Proj</u> <u>2020</u>
a) Combined Surplus without Retirements	1,035	989	1,100	1,030
b) Generation Retirement	0	729	1,166	1,530
c) Adjusted Surplus	1,035	260	-66	-500

EXHIBIT JAK-4



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Tuesday, December 13, 2016
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Docket: [16-KCPE-593-ACQ] Merger - Great Plains

Requestor: [Kansas City Board of Public Utilities] [Ashley Bond]

Data Request: KCBPU-02.24 :: Re: Direct Testimony of William Kemp

Date: 0000-00-00

Question 1 (Prepared by Geoff Greene)

Referring to the Direct Testimony of William Kemp at 22:19-23:1, please: 1. Provide the actual planning reserves for each Joint Applicant in 2016. 2. State the anticipated required planning reserves for each Joint Applicant for the years 2017-2020 and the anticipated planning reserve for the merged company.

Response:

1. The difference between actual 2016 peak and capacity, the planning reserve, is $6239 - 5183 = 1,056$ MW. This is 434 MW more than required to maintain the 12% margin. 2. 2017 = 608 MW, 2018 = 614 MW, 2019 = 621 MW, 2020 = 628 MW. See Great Plains Energy response regarding KCP&L and combined company.

No Digital Attachments Found.

KCPL KS
Case Name: 2016 Westar Acquisition
Case Number: 16-KCPE-593-ACQ

Response to Bond Ashley Interrogatories - BPU_20160928
Date of Response: 10/12/2016

Question: 2-24

Referring to the Direct Testimony of William Kemp at 22:19-23:1, please:

1. Provide the actual planning reserves for each Joint Applicant in 2016.
2. State the anticipated required planning reserves for each Joint Applicant for the years 2017-2020 and the anticipated planning reserve for the merged company.

Response:

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1. Based on KCP&L's actual 2016 peak, there was 430 MW of reserve capacity between the peak and SPP-required capacity responsibility which was based upon the 2016 forecasted peak.
2. Planning reserve requirement (beginning in 2017, SPP requires 12% above the anticipated peak) for KCP&L is as follows:
2017: 417 MW 2018: 416 MW 2019: 416 MW 2020: 413 MW

Westar will provide their reserve margin requirement. Combining KCP&L's and Westar's annual reserve margin requirements would provide merged-company reserve margin requirements.

Response Provided By:

Laura Becker, Manager, Resource Planning

Attachment:

QBPU-2-24_Verification.pdf

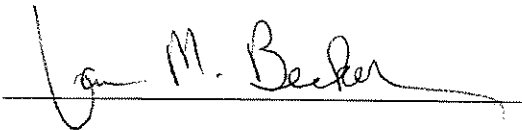
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Kansas City Power & Light Company

Docket No. 16-KCPE-593-ACQ

The response to BPU Data Request #2-24, submitted by KCP&L, is covered by this Verification of Response:

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Signed: 

Title: Manager, Resource Planning

Date: October 4, 2016

EXHIBIT JAK-5

KCPL KS
Case Name: 2016 Westar Acquisition
Case Number: 16-KCPE-593-ACQ

Response to Bond Ashley Interrogatories - BPU_20161107
Date of Response: 11/15/2016

Question:3-24

Please confirm whether or not the Joint Applicants have calculated if there is a reduction in the system peak demand for the combined company as compared to each company on a standalone basis. Please provide this calculation. If such a calculation does not exist, please so state and provide an explanation for why the Joint Applicants determined such a calculation was unnecessary.

Number of Attachments:

Response:

The Joint Applicants have not calculated what the reduction in system peak demand would be if the native load of both systems were combined as compared to each company's peak load on a stand-alone basis. To date, there has not been a need for such an evaluation. Given the adjoining service territories, the difference is likely minimal.

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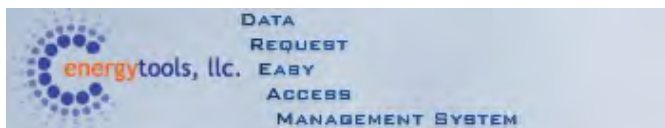
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Signed: 

Title: Director, Energy Resource Management

Date: November 11, 2016

EXHIBIT JAK-6



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Friday, November 18, 2016
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Docket: [16-KCPE-593-ACQ] Merger - Great Plains
Requestor: [Kansas City Board of Public Utilities] [Angela Lawson]
Data Request: KCBPU-3.21 :: Project planning reserve margin
Date: 0000-00-00

Question 1 (Prepared by Geoff Greene)

In reference to Westar's response to BPU-2-24, please provide: 1. All information provided in BPU-2-24 in tabular form with all backup data used to calculate the project planning reserve margin for 2017-2020, including: a. Peak demand forecast b. Firm sales c. Capacity sales d. Generating resources, including additions and retirements e. Firm purchases f. Capacity purchases g. Calculation of reserve margin (in % and in MW above/below the 12% requirement) 2. Provide any projected load and resource data that has been prepared that would cover the period 2021 through 2026 in a similar format to that requested in part 1 above.

Response:

The attached spreadsheet contains the items requested which backup the data provided in BPU-2-24.

Attachment File Name	Attachment Note
Calculations for response to KCBPU 321 111016.xlsx	

prepared in response to KCBPU 3.21 : Project Planning Reserve Margin

Item 1	Item 2									
	Proj 2017	Proj 2018	Proj 2019	Proj 2020	Proj 2021	Proj 2022	Proj 2023	Proj 2024	Proj 2025	Proj 2026
a) Peak Native Load Forecast *	5066	5120	5174	5234	5289	5344	5397	5452	5503	5555
b) Firm Sales	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
c) Capacity Sales	541	541	369	369	324	209	150	150	0	0
d) Generating Resources	6325	6340	6340	6340	6340	6340	6275	6275	6015	6015
e) Firm Purchases	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
f) Capacity Purchases	508	508	508	508	508	492	492	492	492	492
g) % Reserve Margin = [(-b - c + d + e + f) - a] / a	24%	23%	25%	24%	23%	24%	23%	21%	18%	17%
g) MW Capacity Above SPP 12% reserve requirement = (- b - c + d + e + f) - (1.12 * a)	618	573	684	617	601	638	573	511	343	285

* includes reduction for WattSaver and Interruptible Contracts

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EXHIBIT JAK-7

KCPL KS
Case Name: 2016 Westar Acquisition
Case Number: 16-KCPE-593-ACQ

Response to Bond Ashley Interrogatories - BPU_20161107
Date of Response: 11/15/2016

Question:3-18

In reference to the response to BPU-2-24, please confirm that the Southwest Power Pool (“SPP”) reserve margin requirement for the merged companies will equal the sum of the individual companies’ margin requirements. If the answer is “no,” please provide the forecast margin requirements for the merged company for the period of 2017-2021.

Number of Attachments:

Response:

At the time of the Westar transaction completion, the Westar load and KCP&L/KCP&L GMO load will still have separate SPP reserve margin requirements just as they do today. The requirement will not change based on the transaction.

However, in the future if the companies were to request and obtain network transmission service based on their combined loads, there may be a slight reduction in the combined load reserve margin requirement vs the sum of the individual companies’ reserve margin requirements, depending on the diversity in companies’ system loads.

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Q3-18_Verification.pdf

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Docket No. 16-KCPE-593-ACQ

The response to BPU Data Request #3-18, submitted by KCP&L, is covered by this Verification of Response:

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Signed: _____



Title: Director, Energy Resource Management

Date: November 11, 2016

EXHIBIT JAK-8

KCPL KS
Case Name: 2016 Westar Acquisition
Case Number: 16-KCPE-593-ACQ

Response to Grady Justin Interrogatories - KCC_20160923
Date of Response: 11/04/2016

Question:131

Please provide copies of all formal and informal Data Requests, and all Data Request responses, exchanged between KCPL or Great Plains and MPSC Staff in Case No. EM-2016-0324.

Number of Attachments:

Response:

This information is considered **CONFIDENTIAL** as it contains marketing analyses or other market specific information relating to services offered in competition with others; contains reports produced by financial analysts; contains employee-sensitive information; contains reports, work papers or other documentation related to work product by internal or external auditors or consultants and should be handled accordingly.

Due to the voluminous nature of the attachments in response to this request; items will be placed on CD and shipped via UPS.

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Signed: Mary Britt Turner

Title: DIRECTOR, REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Date: October 4, 2016



Project Wizard Due Diligence



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Key Questions and Due Diligence Areas

Key areas of focus for Round 2 include, but are not limited to:

Financial

- Business plan drivers: customer growth rates, non-fuel O&M drivers, customer rate impacts (*Wright*)
- Potential synergies, Insurance (*Busser/Wright*)
- Tax, acceleration of NOLs, etc. (*Busser/Hardesty*)
- Risk management and hedging (*Busser/Wright/Noblet/Anstaett*)
- Tax audits and contests (*Hardesty*)
- Financing documents (restrictive covenants) (*Wright*)
- Contractual obligations, such as leases or long-term contracts (*Huddleston*)
- Collateral posting requirements (*Busser/Wright/Noblet/Anstaett*)

Regulatory

- Understanding of regulatory undertakings between Wizard and KCC; prior merger conditions (*Ives*)
- Regulatory strategy: rate case plans, capital structure (*Ives*)
- Regulatory assets/liabilities (*Ives*)
- FERC compliance (*Fairchild*)
- Understanding regulatory landscape and merger approval process in KS (*Ives/Huddleston/Hack*)

Environmental

- Any contingent liabilities related to environmental issues (*Ling*)
- Review of any environmental site assessments/audits and proposed remediation plans (*Ling*)
- Ongoing / potential litigation (*Ling/Huddleston*)
- Compliance plans and programs; violations/exceptions (*Fairchild*)
- Impact of new and potential environmental rules on generation fleet (*Noblet/Anstaett/Crawford*)

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Key Questions and Due Diligence Areas (cont.)

Key areas of focus for Round 2 include, but are not limited to:

Operations

- Status of physical infrastructure and testing (generation, etc.) *(Noblet/Anstaett)*
- Capital expenditure plans – T&D maintenance / expansion *(Noblet/Anstaett)*
- Assessment of Management's continued ability to operate independently *(Noblet/Anstaett)*
- Commercial contracts (new wind build, PPAs, fuel) *(Noblet/Anstaett/Crawford)*
- Power plant operations and performance, including SPP transmission costs *(Noblet/Anstaett)*
- Governance and rights related to jointly-owned plants *(Noblet/Anstaett)*
- Franchise terms, if relevant *(Caisley)*
- Customer service *(Noblet/Anstaett)*

Labor / Other

- Status of pension funding, recovery rates, etc. *(Murphy)*
- IT *(King)*
- Status of collective bargaining agreements *(Murphy)*
- Stock plans and other benefit plans *(Murphy)*
- Severance and change of control plans *(Fairchild)*
- Review of compensation and benefits packages for current employees *(Murphy)*
- Incentive compensation plans currently in place *(Murphy)*

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Due Diligence Team

Well-Rounded, Appropriately Sized Internal Due Diligence Team

FINANCE

- Bryant (Lead)
- Busser
- Hardesty
- Meyer
- Shull
- Wright
- Gilligan
- Clizer
- Higley
- Jones

REGULATORY

- Humphrey (Lead)
- Caisley
- Ives
- McDonald
- Hack

LEGAL

- Humphrey (Lead)
- Huddleston

ENVIRONMENTAL/COMPLIANCE

- Fairchild (Lead)
- Ling
- Jackson

OPERATIONS

- Heidtbrink (Lead)
- Anstaett
- Noblet
- Crawford
- Jenks

LABOR / HR AND OTHER

- Humphrey (Lead)
- King
- Murphy

OUTSIDE EXPERTS

- Financial Advisory (Goldman Sachs)
- Legal (Bracewell)
- Rating Agencies, Tax/Accounting
- Synergies (Enovation)

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Due Diligence Category – Legal

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Wizard and Utility Subsidiary First Mortgage Bonds	High	Complete	• Wizard and Utility Subsidiary First Mortgage Bonds Folder 4.6.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Based on an initial review of the documents there does not appear to be any obligation to refinance the Mortgage Bonds as a result of the transaction Calls of the Wizard/Utility Subsidiary first mortgage fixed rate bonds require a make-whole premium (spreads range from 15 to 50 bps). Issuance of Wizard first mortgage bonds is limited to (i) 60% of the lesser of cost and fair market value of bondable property additions and (iii) net earnings for a period of 12 consecutive months in any 15 months preceding issuance being either at least 2x interest coverage or 10% of the principal of indebtedness outstanding. Issuance of Utility Subsidiary first mortgage bonds is limited to (i) \$3.5 billion, (ii) 70% of the lesser of cost and fair market value of bondable property additions and (iii) net earnings for a period of 12 consecutive months in any 15 months preceding issuance being either at least 2.5x interest coverage or 10% of the principal of indebtedness outstanding. Utility Subsidiary required under the Utility Subsidiary first mortgage bonds to expend or accrue each year at least 15% of gross operating revenues towards maintenance or retirement (subject to a 5 year carryforward). \$50 million of 4.85% pollution control bonds are to be refunded in June 2016 	• None at this time	Humphrey

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Due Diligence Category – Legal (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Change of Control Provisions in Debt Documents and Other covenants	High	Complete	• Revolving Credit Facilities Folder 4.6.2 • Commercial Paper Agreements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A "change in control" (i.e. acquisition of 30+%) triggers an "event of default" under both the Wizard \$730 million and \$270 million revolving credit facilities. As of 12/31/15, there were no borrowings under either facility and there were \$19.2 million of outstanding letters of credit (which would need to be cash collateralized or replaced if the revolving credit lenders do not consent to the proposed transaction) and \$308.9 million of short-term borrowings under Sky's commercial paper program, that is back-stopped by the revolving credit facilities, the commercial paper is all 30 day maturities and would be due without corresponding support in the event that the revolving credit lenders do not consent to the Proposed Transaction. Both facilities require maintenance of a consolidated debt to capitalization ratio of 65% or less 	• None at this time	Humphrey
Variable Interest Entities	High	Complete	• Summaries of treatment Folder 4.4 and facility documents Folder 5.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utility Subsidiary holds its undivided 50% interest in La Cygne through a sale-leaseback and has an option to purchase the interest for the lesser of fair sale value and \$342.63 million at the end of the basic lease term in 2029 In February 2016, Utility Subsidiary effected a refunding of the La Cygne \$162.1 million bonds reducing the stated interest rate from 5.647% to 2.398% via fixed rate bonds (which are subject to a T+50 make-whole call) and swapped rate bonds. 	• None at this time	Humphrey

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Due Diligence Category – Legal (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Benefits – 280G Issues	Medium	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2015 10-K • Dataroom documents Folder 13 • Wizard Definitive Proxy Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A number of employees have RSU that will likely result in large (relative to such employees) change of control payments. So far we estimate based on your first round bid and information in Sky's public Definitive Proxy Statement ("DEF14A") that payments to the top five officers for the RSUs will total greater than \$15 million, with over \$8 million of that going to the top officer. We know that there are a number of additional RSUs issued, however Sky has not provided the list and the pricing information. Many of these employees also have severance agreements, where additional payments would need to be made if they are terminated after the change in control. • The Definitive Proxy Statement lists potential payments upon change in control for five officers, including the vesting of all RSUs, and indicated that the value of RSU that will vest for each officer would be below the 280G threshold; however the Definitive Proxy Statement, contemplated a share price of \$42.6225. Sky has represented that they do not have any calculations contemplating a higher price. If a higher price per share is offered, the value of the RSUs that vest could exceed the 280G threshold resulting in a loss of compensation deduction for a portion of the RSUs and a 20% excise tax for the officers. 208G calculations should be made as soon as practical after the final bidder is determined. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have asked Wizard for new 280G calculations and supporting documents, including base amount for each of the three officers and the valuation of the accelerated vesting of the RSUs under 280G. 	Humphrey

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Due Diligence Category – Legal (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
FERC Audits	High	In-Progress	Publicly filed FERC documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are two open FERC audits, the scope and size of which is large. The audits cover many issues, including accounting and transmission rate issues, and cover multi-year periods. Wizard is awaiting FERC's audit findings. In response to diligence questions on this subject, the Companies have noted that they are not aware of any material violations that FERC has found in the course of the audits. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awaiting FERC to issue audit findings 	Humphrey
FERC Rate Filings	High	Complete	Publicly filed FERC documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sky's market-based rate filings reference Utility Sub, but Utility Sub does not have its own rate filings. Utility Sub has represented to us that it only makes sales to Sky and that it makes no balancing sales to SPP. We believe that Utility Sub should have its own rate filings pursuant to the Federal Power Act for the sales it makes to Sky and should file one as soon as possible. Although FERC could impose monetary penalties, it is unlikely. 	None at this time	Humphrey
FERC Market Power	High	Complete		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As previously discussed with you, we engaged a consultant to examine potential FERC market power concerns, because Prairie and Sky are neighboring utilities, and there could be load pockets etc., that could raise issues. The consultant has initially determined that a combination the parties' generation portfolios should not raise market power concerns at FERC, nonetheless, FERC will require a detailed analysis for its approval process. 	None at this time	Humphrey

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Due Diligence Category – Legal (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Transmission Development Exclusivity	High	Complete	Sky Competitive Transmission Joint Ventures Prairie Transource Joint Venture	<p>Each of Prairie and Sky have entered into their own exclusive joint ventures for the development of competitive transmission projects. Each of these joint ventures prohibit Prairie and Sky, and their respective affiliates, from pursuing any competitive transmission project outside of their respective joint ventures. Upon consummation of the Proposed Transaction, the exclusive areas covered by these joint ventures would become inconsistent, so this will need to be addressed prior to the consummation of the Proposed Transaction.</p> <p>In addition to competitive transmission projects, the Prairie transmission JV also has exclusivity over essentially all non-utility regulated transmission projects. Sky has a JV with Electric Transmission America ("Prairie Wind Transmission") for a specific transmission line, which would be carved out of the Prairie Transmission JV exclusivity, however Prairie Wind Transmission would be limited in its ability to undertake new merchant projects post-closing.</p>	None at this time	Humphrey

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Due Diligence Category – Delivery

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Vegetation Management	Medium	In Process	Received T&D vegetation management program O&M budget data and total line miles.	<p>Sky 95% complete on first cycle and 9% into second cycle (4 year urban and 5 year rural). Sky has 14 internal employees for program management, customer communications, and field inspection.</p> <p>Most the work is under fixed price contracts one year in length with remainder done on time & material.</p> <p>In 2016 the work is split 50/50 between Asplundh and Wright.</p> <p>Historical Spend is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2013 - \$34.1M 2014 - \$33.5M 2015 - \$30.2M 2016 budget of \$31M (\$29m dist, and \$2M tran) - \$22M of the \$29M is fixed price. <p>Electric Transmission (Greater than 35kV) - Majority of the transmission work is mowing and spraying of right of ways.</p>	<p>Request copies of Sky contractor agreements and IBEW Local 304 agreements with contractors.</p> <p>Electric Distribution (35kV and below) - Request data on line miles by voltage, urban, rural, backbone, and lateral. Also, want data on history for budgets and actual spend by type of work.</p> <p>Electric Transmission (Greater than 35kV) - Request data on line miles urban vs rural. These additional data requests are not necessary for initial synergy estimates and can wait until deeper into synergy preparations.</p>	Anstaett

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Due Diligence Category – Delivery (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Control and Call Centers	Medium	In Process		<p>There is generally little overlap in the Delivery field operations between Sky and Prairie. So limited to no opportunity expected to close service centers or reduce field staffing. However, possibility to stage in combining of control centers into one and call centers into one depending on multiple issues including cost. Example: would we have space at one of the current call centers to combine both or would we need to relocate both to one location. Same question for the control centers.</p> <p>Control Centers – Per Sky union contract it appears Sky uses union personnel in their DSO, TSO, and PSO. Sky's GSO and TSO are located in Topeka while Sky's DSO is located in Wichita. Opportunity to at the least eliminate back up operations centers at each company (ie Prairie's LSOC).</p> <p>Call Center – Per IQC benchmark data for the Sky Call Center their cost is tier 2 while performance is tier 4. Sky has 125 employees and uses union call center personnel working out of Wichita.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disaster recovery plans for Sky DSO, TSO, and Call Center. Outage Management software being install in 2016 for Sky DSO. Software vendor being used in Sky TSO. Does Sky use temps in their Call Center and if so are they included in the 125 employee count and if used but not included in the 125 what was their average number of temps used in 2015. 	Anstaett

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Due Diligence Category – Delivery (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Line Contractors	Low	In Process		May be some opportunity for either Sky or Prairie to negotiate improved pricing with line contractors.	Sky line contractor agreements, IBEW Local 304 contractor agreement, data on volume of work performed, by type of work, and historical spend at the most detail level available. Data requested is not absolutely necessary for initial synergy estimates and can wait until deeper into synergy preparations.	Anstaett
T&D Asset Management Plans	Low	In Process	No detailed data available on the data-site. Sky does have \$50M of Distribution Reliability spend included in their abbreviated rate case (ARC).	Per Heidtbrink conversation with Sky. Sky has not historically done pole inspection & treatment until recently with current reject rates around 15% versus 2% for a utility consistently using such a program. There appears to be some risk here for Prairie.		Anstaett
Fleet Vehicles	Low	In Process	Sky vehicles stock on capital lease of about \$17M .	Received data on Sky vehicles including quantities by type, age, and purchase price. Expect minimal opportunity for savings here.	Historical data on replacement and maintenance spend. Additional data requested is not necessary for initial synergy estimates and can wait until deeper into synergy preparations.	Anstaett

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Due Diligence Category – Delivery (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Joint Use	Low	In Process		Expect minimal, if any, savings or revenue enhancement opportunity here .	Request annual revenue from joint use (invoiced and actually collected). And, copies of Joint Use agreements for Sky's largest attachers. Data requested is not necessary for initial synergy estimates and can wait until deeper into synergy preparations.	Anstaett
Security	High	In Process		Sky noted they are in compliance with CIP.	Request Sky CIP audit results documentation. Data requested is not necessary for initial synergy estimates and can wait until deeper into synergy preparations.	Anstaett
Safety	High	Complete		Sky appears to have tier 1 safety performance. Probably an opportunity for Prairie to identify safety improvements at Prairie.		Anstaett
Franchise concerns with any of Sky's major communities.	Low	Complete		Based on conversation there are no franchises of concern with any of Sky's major communities.		Anstaett

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Due Diligence Category – Delivery (cont.)

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Street Lighting & Area/Dusk to Dawn Lighting Maintenance	Low	In Process		Expect minimal opportunity for savings here.	Request data on number of lights by type and location as well as data on historical spend over multiple years. Additional data requested is not necessary for initial synergy estimates and can wait until deeper into synergy preparations.	Anstaett
Locates	Low	In Process		Confirmed that sky outsources locates but still don't know to who to (probably USC/SMP similar to Prairie). As a result expect minimal, if any, savings opportunity here .	Request State One Call agreements. Eventually still need volume of work, actual spend for multiple years, and any contracts for locate contractor(s). Additional data requested is not necessary for initial synergy estimates and can wait until deeper into synergy preparations.	Anstaett
Reliability metrics	Med	In Process		Metrics look typical for a highly rural utility.	Sky's split on line miles rural vs urban. Data requested is not necessary for initial synergy estimates and can wait until deeper into synergy preparations.	Anstaett
Distribution Construction Performance	Low	In Process		Sky is currently installing Maximo for T&D work management with plans to complete in early 2017. Possibly an opportunity for augmenting Prairie plans to eventually move to Maximo for T&D work management.	Details on Maximo installation for T&D. Data requested is not necessary for initial synergy estimates and can wait until deeper into synergy preparations.	Anstaett

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Due Diligence Category – Generation

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Resource Planning – Capacity Adequacy /	Low	In-Progress	1.2.2	Load and capability report indicates that capacity appears adequate to meet load requirements through 2028. Currently 477 MW excess capacity May be opportunity for significant DSM program implementation	Are there any plans to increase DSM programs? If so, please provide any details. Has a retirement evaluation been completed for Lawrence Energy Center 4? What are the specific retirement drivers for each generating plant? Please provide any detail on the proposed 2025 generation capacity addition.	Noblet
Resource Planning/Wholesale Contracts	Low	In-Progress	1.2.2, 7.1.2.1 through 7.1.2.13	Need additional data	Are the full requirements wholesale customer load forecasts included in the load and capability file peak native load forecast? Please provide copies of all capacity purchase contracts. Please provide copies of the Chanute and MKEC capacity sales contracts. Please provide copies of full requirements wholesale customer load forecasts.	Noblet

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Due Diligence Category – Generation (cont.)

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Resource Planning/ Renewable Compliance	Low	In-Progress	1.2.2, 7.4.2.1	Wind resources well in excess of amount needed to meet the Kansas renewable energy standard No additional wind resources in planning stage beyond what has been publically announced Option to purchase 50% of the Kingman wind facility (200 MW total) before substantial completion	Do you have any disputes related to SPP Reliability Directives? Please provide copies of all wind contracts.	Noblet
Future Liabilities /Retired Generating Units	Medium	In-Progress	1.2.2	Data does not appear to be present to evaluate	For the five generating units retired in 2015, is your plan to retire in place or demolition? Decommissioning timeline? Decommissioning cost estimates? Any additional liabilities? Please provide copy of any and all decommissioning / dismantlement studies.	Noblet
Capital Budgets / Long-term capital requirements	Low	In-Progress	4.1.1.2	Partial data provided for next 5 years	Are there any major equipment additions or replacements planned or expected over the next 20 years? Please provide copy of any long-term (years 5 -20) capital projects for life extensions.	Noblet

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Due Diligence Category – Generation (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Status of physical infrastructure / Operational performance of plants	Low	In-Progress	1.2.1	Generating Plant equivalent forced outage rates (EFOR) appears reasonable, except Gordon Evans Units 1 & 2 are high. Since these are gas-fired steam units (approx. 539 MW total), this should not have much impact on overall costs. In addition, Jeffery Energy Center Unit 1 EFOR rates were a bit high in 2013-2015.	Are there any formal plant availability improvement initiatives underway for coal and/or gas-fired steam resources? Please provide all benchmarking studies.	Noblet
Environmental Compliance/ Clean Power Plan	Low	In Progress	10.1	Data does not appear to be present to evaluate.	Please provide any Clean Power Plan impact assessments.	Noblet
Transmission / Adequacy and obligations	Low	In-Progress	None	Data does not appear to be present to evaluate.	Which wind resources in place or under contract have firm transmission service? For any wind facilities in place or under contract that do not have firm transmission, which facilities have SPP transmission service requests in process? Do you have any point-to-point transmission obligations? If so, please describe.	Noblet

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Due Diligence Category – Generation (cont.)

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Generation Dispatching	Low	In-Progress	None	Data does not appear to be present to evaluate.	What is your bidding strategy for your generation units?	Noblet
Fuel and Rail Transportation	Low	In-Progress	None	Data does not appear to be present to evaluate. Firm Gas Service: Emporia 25% firm, (enough to run the 4 LM6000s around the clock), Evans 25%, Stateline 100% (Sky share), No firm gas at Hutchinson, and No firm gas at Spring Creek Additional firm gas supply may be needed	Do you self commit your units? What is your buying strategy for coal? What is your buying strategy for natural gas? Do you have a formal or informal hedging strategy for fuel purchases? Please provide all fuel related contracts.	Noblet
Energy Trading	Low	In-Progress	4.5.2.1	Data does not appear to be present to evaluate. All non-asset based trading flows through to shareholders.	Please provide a copy of each outstanding letter of credit. Please provide a copy of each active Energy Management Agreement (EMA).	Noblet

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Due Diligence Category – Supply Chain

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Overall Supply Chain Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sourcing savings FTE efficiency 	Medium	In process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q&A Log Management presentation Supplier Alliances list 7.3 Suppliers 6.5.1 Enterprise Risk Management 6.4.1 2015 SOX management report 6.4.2 2015 SOX Deficiencies 2.4.1 Audit Committee minutes 1.4.2 Veg Mgmt 4.11.2 Shared Services Benchmarking 4.1.1.6 Historical Capex 13.6 Headcount Summary 8.1 Management Deck Select Supply Chain operating metrics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sky has opportunity in the supply chain. It appears that focus has been more on transactional processing and improving technology with implementation of PS 9.2. Little has been done in terms of strategic sourcing, category management, supplier risk assessment, supplier performance management, inventory and logistics optimization, and investment recovery. Opportunities for cost synergies and efficiencies are fairly high. Risks around availability of data for this round of review. A few of the categories with biggest potential early on include MRO, vegetation management, and boiler services. Synergy assumptions are predicated upon ability to move Sky to Prairie's PeopleSoft instance early on, as well as ability to cleanse Sky's spend data, inventory item master, and supplier item database. FTE analysis needs more rigor due to incomplete information available at this time. From data that was provided, it appears that supply chain staffing is very lean and some materials functions are handled by suppliers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supplier risk assessment was not available Not all operating metrics requested were available FTE's provided – the sum of the parts did not equal the total provided Need budget information both for Procurement and SCO Need spend, by vendor, for past 3 years Please describe what work has been done with Optima Supply Chain group and results SC Organization chart Total sourceable spend numbers did not seem to add up. Need to understand \$200M increase in 2015 Information not critical at this time, but will be needed for a more comprehensive assessment 	Jenks
Inventory	Medium	In process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q&A Log; Inv and SKU list by location 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> T&D inventory levels at Sky are double Prairie's \$ value and triple Prairie's # SKU's. Sky's inventory levels at their coal plants are about 65% higher than Prairie's \$ value and almost double # SKU's. Sky's generation inventory per MW and T&D inventory per T&D mile appear to be 4th quartile. Obsolete or excess inventory could be a risk and a thorough review should be done before transaction close to identify any areas of concern 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to better understand composition of the inventory, turnover, aging of items in stock, and history of write-offs Will we have regulatory approval to share inventory across jurisdictions and be able to manage inventory centrally as a combined company? 	Jenks

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Due Diligence Category – Supply Chain (cont.)

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Supply Chain technology/systems	Medium	In process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.3.1 IT Applications List 4.1.1.1.17 IT forecast Q&A Log 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PeopleSoft is Sky's system of record for inventory, same as Prairie. Would need to cleanse inventory item master. PeopleSoft is Sky's system of record for core purchasing functions. Sky's initial implementation of PS 9.1 had challenges in the supply chain modules. They have since re-engineered their supply chain functionality with their recent upgrade of PS 9.2. While improvements were made, Prairie's PS and Oracle based supply chain technology platforms provide enhanced functionality and analytics capabilities and will be critical to our ability to drive synergy savings from sourcing and inventory management. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where are requisitions entered What electronic interfaces do you have with suppliers Do all of your facilities use the same inventory item taxonomy, naming conventions and descriptions Note: none of this information is critical for this round of diligence 	Jenks
Warehousing and Logistics Model	Medium	In process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q&A Log; Inventory & Sku list by location 1.4.7 Territory Map 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sky runs two large warehouses in Topeka and Wichita. From there, they ship to the smaller locations. Vendor direct shipments are also employed. They do not characterize either of these warehouses as a central distribution facility. Sky runs some consignment programs with vendors, but nothing too significant. There could be potential for significant transportation/freight savings as well as warehousing costs and efficiencies by creating a central distribution warehouse in KC metro area, near a rail and interstate hub. Other benefits could be achieved by leveraging central distributor's warehouse in the KC metro as well. Would need to conduct a thorough review of the materials and equipment requirements/movements, existing facilities, fleet, logistics to determine optimal warehousing and logistics model/framework for combined entity. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listing of internal delivery and back-haul routes by location and frequency Volume and nature of vendor drop ships Will we have regulatory approval to share inventory across jurisdictions and be able to manage inventory centrally as a combined company? What are tax implications? Should we look at implementing Purchasing Company? 	Jenks

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Investment Recovery	Low	In process	*See above	■ Prairie's investment recovery function (repair/refurbishment of transformers and other electrical apparatus, oil reclamation, scrap metal, and CMF) could be used to serve same function for Sky and from same facilities, as Sky does not have a similar capability. Apparatus could be back-hauled using internal fleet and logistics network. Prairie realizes approx. \$5M/year savings from such activities.	■ Describe your investment recovery function/capabilities.	Jenks
Wolf Creek Supply Chain	Medium	In process	*See above	■ With close to 100% ownership, efficiencies could be gained by strategically sourcing Wolf Creek spend with the combined Prairie-Sky spend and managing the strategic procurements centrally. There would also be transactional efficiencies to move Wolf Creek to Prairie's supply chain systems. Wolf Creek does not run supply chain on Sky's systems today.	■ Sourceable spend by category or vendor for Wolf Creek.	Jenks
Warranty program	Low	In process	*See above	■ Uncertain whether Sky has a formal warranty management program. If not, there will be opportunities in terms of cost savings.	■ Does Sky have a formal warranty management program? If so, please describe	Jenks

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Due Diligence Category – Accounting

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
SEC/FERC Reporting	High	Complete	*None	Restatements of financial statements	In the last 5 years have there been any financial statement restatements, passed audit differences, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. All documents, if any.	Busser
FERC Audit	High	In progress		FERC audit, if any	Summarize any initial findings/conversations with auditors to date. All FERC Audit correspondence to date.	Busser
SEC Reporting	High	In progress	*TBD	SEC Comment Letters	Have there been any SEC comment letters received in conjunction with the SEC review of the filed SEC documents. All SEC comment letters.	Busser
Benefit Plan Reporting	High	In progress	*TBD	IRS or DOL audits on benefit plans	Are there any on-going IRS or DOL audits covering company benefit plans? Any related IRS/DOL correspondence.	Busser

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Financial Forecast	Medium		Financial Forecast	Summary of load forecast assumptions	Please provide a summary of the load forecasting process and a detailed discussion of the primary drivers.	Meyer
Financial Forecast	Medium		Financial Forecast	Summary of load forecast assumptions	Please provide a summary of the forecasted revenues, MWh's and growth rates by customer class.	Meyer
Financial Forecast	Medium		Financial Forecast	Summary of load forecast assumptions	Please provide a summary of the historical revenues, MWh's and growth rates by customer class for 2011-2015.	Meyer
Financial Forecast	Medium		Financial Forecast	Summary of forecast assumptions	Please provide a forecast of historical capex by function for 2011-2015	Meyer
Financial Forecast	Medium		Financial Forecast	Inclusion of CWIP in rate base	On the rate base schedule, CWIP is included in KCC rate base. Please confirm that you will be able to include CWIP in rate base in KS general rate cases.	Meyer/ Ives
Financial Forecast	Medium		Change of Control	Schedule of employees eligible to receive change of control payments	Please provide a listing of employees covered by change of control payments and the approximate amounts for each.	Busser
Review of financial derivatives accounting	Med	In progress	Financial Accounting	Sky has a hedging/derivatives process for gas purchases	Evaluation of the strategy, risk and accounting around derivatives.	Noblet/ Busser

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Due Diligence Category – Financial

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Credit Facility/Short Term Debt	High	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$270 mm Credit Agreement dated 2/18/2011 (now \$250 mm effective 2/16) \$730 mm Credit Agreement dated 9/29/2011 (now \$750 mm) 10-K/10-Q 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$270 mm credit facility expires 2/18/17 \$20 mm terminated in 2/16 No remaining extensions available WF admin agent Increase option of \$130 mm \$730 mm credit facility expires in 9/29/19 \$20.7 mm terminates in 9/17 One 1-yr extension available JPM admin agent Increase option of \$270 mm Credit facilities backs-up CP program No existing A/R facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have you evaluated using an A/R facility? Please discuss your approach to short term financing. Please describe your treasury/cash management process and your approach to cash forecasting. Please provide a listing of all bank accounts. 	Wright
Long Term Debt/Debt Capacity/Capital Markets	High	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indentures 10-K/10-Q 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All LTD is secured (\$3.2B billion) issued by Sky Energy and KGE As of 12/31/15 approximately \$851 mm of addl FMB could be issued by Sky and \$1.5 billion by KGE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please discuss your approach to the capital markets Provide a listing of all current security holders and their holdings (debt and equity). Provide individual subsidiary capital structures Provide shelf registration Provide information on regulatory authority to issue long term debt 	Wright
GXP Financing Plan	High	In-Progress		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short-term financing strategy Long-term take-out strategy Market risk mitigation tools Determination of our all cash option? 		Wright

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Rating Agencies – RAS/RES services	High	In-Progress	• Rating Agency Financial Forecast March 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S&P and Moody's Advisory Services • Combined forecast required • Potential review of 3 scenarios • Assume 1-2 week turnaround 		Wright
Dividend Restrictions	High	In-Progress	• 10-K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consolidated Debt to Capital Ratio < 0.65 to 1.00 • Consolidated Debt definition excludes VIE debt 	• Please provide the most current dividend restriction calculations.	Wright
Capital Expenditures	High	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rating Agency Financial Forecast March 2016 • 10-K 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$400 mm in 2016 for Wind • \$91 mm Smart Grid in 2016-2018 • \$87 mm in Cap Ex in 2019 to pay GMO for ownership interest in Jeffrey Energy Ctr. • 10-K and Rating Agency Presentation agree with totals 	• Please explain Grid Resiliency expenditure planned for 2016 and Smart Grid	Wright
Vendor Payment Options	Medium	In-Progress		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sky does not have V-Card program • Currently evaluating P-Card vendors (RFP outstanding) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who is your credit card vendor (T&E/Fleet/Procurement)? • Please provide a breakdown and A/P payments by payment type (check, ACH, wire) for 2015? 	Wright

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Sky Shareholder Taxability	High	In-Progress	• None	• Assume that a 50% or 100% cash offer would mean that the deal would be taxable to the shareholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not a Sky diligence item • Need to confirm with bankers and/or outside counsel 	Hardesty
Sky Taxability	High	Complete	• None	• It is in the best interest of Sky and Prairie to create a sub under Prairie and merge Sky into it at the time of the acquisition. Do not want to trigger or elect taxability at Sky.	• None	Hardesty
Impact to Prairie NOL Utilization	Medium	Complete	• Forecasted taxable income provided by Sky including bonus depreciation, Due Diligence Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5-Year forecast adds \$790M of taxable income to Prairie • May accelerate Prairie NOL utilization by approximately 3 years • Apportionment Factor in MO decreased to 38% - MO NOL value reduced by \$25M • May not need Prairie valuation allowance on MO Only NOLs - approx. \$2M benefit • Include limited bonus depreciation for 2015 & 2016. 	• None	Hardesty
Sky KS State Tax Credits	High	Complete	• Forecasted taxable income provided by Sky including bonus depreciation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$180M of KS HPIIP tax credit carryforward to 2016. • Need to evaluate whether or not a valuation allowance would be needed for this. • Valuation allowance of \$7M 	None	Hardesty
Uncertain Tax Positions	Medium	Complete	• 10K, 2014 Tax Return, Due Diligence Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UTPs listed identified in 2015 10K not material. • No tax opinions in the last 5 years. • No issues identified. 	• None	Hardesty

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Flow Through Computations	Medium	Complete	•Sky income tax projections	•Large flow-through tax adjustments. Not surprising considering KS is a flow-through state.	•None	Hardesty
Property Tax Rider Kansas	Low	Complete	•Sky forecast	•Sky has a full property tax rider in KS	•None	Hardesty
FERC Formula Rate ADIT Issue	Medium	Complete	•TBD	•Sky has the ADIT formula rate issue. Should be resolved similar to Prairie's ADIT formula rate issue.	•None	Hardesty
Golden Parachute Payments – 280G	High	Complete	•Change in control payment plan	•See HR section	•None	Hardesty
Section 382 – Tax Attribute Limitation	High	Complete	•Prairie offer letter •Previous 12 months LTAFR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •\$54 times 141.6M shares = \$7.6B purchase price •The Section 382 limit for tax attributes is generally the purchase price times the Long Term Federal Applicable Interest Rate (estimated to be 2.5%-3.0%) •382 limit is estimated to be \$190M per year •At this level, there should be no problem using the NOLs and tax credits carried forward to Prairie from Sky 	•None	Hardesty
Tangible Property Regulations Change in Accounting Method	High	Complete	•2014 Federal Tax Return - Form 3115	•Resulted in a \$99M 481a adjustment in 2014	•None	Hardesty

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Late General Asset Election	Medium	Complete	•2013 Federal Tax Return	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Protective election made to preserve casualty loss deductions •Consistent with KCPL & GMO 	•None	Hardesty
Federal Tax Audit Risk	High	Complete	•None found in data room, •Due Diligence Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •No IRS correspondence in dataroom •2012 forward open under statute of limitations •No tax years under IRS audit 	•None	Hardesty
Kansas Tax Audit	Medium	Complete	•Kansas Tax Audit documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •KS tax audit to start in mid-2016- documents - appears normal •Audit also appears to be fairly current which is a good sign 	•None	Hardesty
Foreign/Overall Foreign Loss	Medium	Complete	•10K •2013 Federal Tax Return •2014 Federal Tax Return	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Very little foreign activity included in tax returns or 10K •No issues identified 	•None	Hardesty
Effective Tax Rate	High	Complete	•10K, 2015 income tax provision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Has been 30-33% for last three years •Represents large benefits for PTC, COLI and expense on flow-through adjustments •No foreign activity 	•None	Hardesty
Composite Rate/State Apportionment Factors	Medium	Complete	•2014 MO, KS, OK, MS State income tax returns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Composite rate is for Sky is 39.55% •Appears reasonable for a utility primarily in KS •We expect a material change to Prairie's composite rate used for computing income taxes or valuing deferred taxes est. 39.3% •Prairie increase in ADIT Liabilities \$20M •Skye decrease in ADIT Liabilities \$10M 	•None	Hardesty

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Sky Property Insurance	High	Complete	•1.2.3.1 – 1.2.3.14, 11.1, 11.2, 4.5.2.1 •EEI Insurance Survey 2014 & 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recent change in carrier lineup to achieve significant premium reduction it appears. Less favorable but still investment grade insurance carriers. Appropriate limits for risk exposure (\$1B) and retention in line with expectations. Identified transformer losses over the past 5 years. Information shared with Operations for further analysis. Will have some near term impact on renewals and loss control. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loss results should be shared with Operations Team for evaluation of operational equipment. 	Higley
Sky Excess Liability Insurance	High	Complete	•11.1, 11.2 •EEI Insurance Survey 2014 & 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ~\$100M in coverage with Utility Mutual Insurance carriers. Limit and deductible are appropriate. No know losses and litigation report looks clean from an insurance perspective. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 year Excess Liability Insurance Claims history (Identifying Open and Closed Claims) 	Higley
Sky Auto Insurance	Medium	Complete	•11.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No insurance detail provided other than summary. Limit and deductible are in line with expectations. No known loss history. 		Higley
Sky OCIP Insurance	Medium	Complete	•11.1, 11.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Risk transfer insurance providing work comp and general liability for outage / contractor work at Generating sites. Cost savings and dedicated limits provide nice risk umbrella for reduced cost assuming you maintain strong safety culture. Potential for long tail difficult claims as injured workers leave Sky worksites. 		Higley

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Sky Directors & Officers Insurance Sky Fiduciary appears to be included in D&O Evaluation of size of expected D&O Claim and subsequent insurance impact	High	Complete	•11.1, 11.2 •EEI Insurance Survey 2014 & 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appropriate limits and deductible for risk transfer. Diverse and strong carrier lineup. Difficult to determine size or complexity of D&O claim following M&A. Believe D&O and Fiduciary policies are combined to achieve premium savings. Will erode D&O limits quicker if claim impacts Fiduciary policy as well. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 year Directors and Officers Claim history. 	Higley
Sky Workers Compensation Insurance	Medium	Complete	•11.1, 11.2, 4.5.2.2 •EEI Insurance Survey 2014 & 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statutory limits of coverage with \$750k deductible placed with reputable carriers \$188M in reported payroll 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ground up Work Comp loss data for all open Work Comp claims 10 year insurance layer Workers Compensation claims (open and closed) 	Higley
Sky Cyber Insurance	Low	Complete	•11.1, 11.2, 4.5.2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appropriate limit and deductible for risk profile. Placed with reputable carriers with experience in the field. Premium seems high compared to risk. IT engaged to evaluate potential loss or increased exposure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 year Cyber Insurance loss history Any notification to carrier of cyber breach? If yes, information related to breach. Share any breach data with IT 	Higley

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Due Diligence Category – Labor/Other: Non-Union Health & Welfare and Ancillary Benefits						DRAFT
TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M OR L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Benefits – Non-Union Actives	Medium	Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13.4.1.1 Non Union Benefit Summary 13.4.1.5 Non-Union Business Travel Insurance 13.4.1.6 Non-Union Dental 13.4.1.7 Non-Union EAP 13.4.1.8 Non-Union Flex Benefits 13.4.5.2.4 LTD Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical plan covers non-union actives, and includes medical, dental vision and life Medical TPA is Aetna, Rx is provided by Express Scripts Medical benefit options are HSA Investment Plan or Health Alliance Plan (PPO) In Network 80%/20%, Out-of-Network is 60%/40% for PPO ad 50%/50% for HSA Dental benefits appear to be comparable le: Standard and Premium plans offered \$1,000 or \$2,000 annual max, \$2,000 ortho max for both. Dental carrier is Delta. Vision benefits appear to be comparable, Vision carrier is Surency. Base and buy-up options offered Offers H.S.A. Offers F.S .A. Offers Dependent Care F.S.A. EAP provided by Employee Assistance Consultants (Empac), 6 sessions/year Life – 1X is provided, can buy up to 4X ADD – 1X is provided, can buy up to 4X Supplemental Life – appears comparable Sick leave appears comparable but accrual schedule differs Dependent Care more generous – up to 5 days Adoption Asst - \$2,000 for Sky vs \$5,000 for Prairie Business travel insurance offered up to 10X salary capped at \$1MM Vacation – comparable but slightly different schedule. Sky slightly less generous than Prairie. LTD appears to be a self-insured, unfunded plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stop loss carrier and levels (but not material) 	Murphy
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Due Diligence Category – Labor/Other: Non-Union Health & Welfare and Ancillary Benefits (cont.)						
TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M OR L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Benefits – Non-Union Actives, Cont'd	Medium	Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13.4.1.8 Non-Union Flex Benefits 13.4.1.9 Non-Union General Welfare Plans 13.4.1.10 Non-Union Life and ADD Insurance 13.4.1.11 Non-Union Long Term Disability 13.4.1.12 Non-Union Medical 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flex dollars can be elected from pay to be used to reduce pay and toward for tax-free premiums Eligible premiums for flex benefits include medical, dental, vision, group life, AD&D, dependent care reimbursement, health care reimbursement and healthcare savings account Non-Union Life and ADD provided by Principal Life Insurance for non-union retirees for those that retire prior to 10/1/14 is 50% of eligibility when they retired LTD eligibility begins after 180 days sick leave 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do non-union retirees who retire after 10/1/14 receive life insurance? Additional review required (but not material) 	Murphy
Benefits – Non-Union Retirees	Medium	Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13.4.1.27 VEBA (Retiree Health Benefits Trust) Summary of Plan Assets (12/31/15) 13.4.1.29 Summary of Non-Union Retirement Benefits for those hired after 1/1/02 13.4.1.31 Summary of Non-Union Retirement Benefits for those hired before 5/1/2000 13.4.5.2.5 Retiree Welfare Plan Valuation 13.4.1.26 2015 Retiree Welfare Plan Document 13.4.1.30 Summary of NU Ret. Benefits for those hired 5/1/00-1/1/02 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retiree medical outsourced to One Exchange HRA one-time funding at \$1,425 for each YOS for those hired between 5/1/2000-1/1/02 and after 1/1/02 HRA for those hired before 5/1/2000 is for pre-65ers; \$10,440/yr for retiree and \$3,468 for spouse and post-65 is \$2,520 for retiree plus \$1,680 for spouse Life insurance provided of \$20,000 VEBA appears to be managed and recordkept at Russell and has approximately \$115 MM as of 12/31/15 Funded levels appear in order Dental offered through age 65 		Murphy
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Due Diligence Category – Labor/Other: Union Health & Welfare Benefits

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Benefits – Union Actives	Medium	Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13.4.1.2 Union Benefit Summary 13.4.1.18 Union Dental 13.4.1.19 Union EAP 13.4.1.20 Flex Benefits 13.4.1.21 Union General Welfare Plans 13.4.1.22 Union Life and ADD Insurance 13.4.1.23 Union LTD 13.4.1.24 Union Medical 13.4.5.2.4 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical plan covers union actives, includes medical, dental, vision and life All Non-Union and Union dental is provided by Delta, max covered benefit \$1,500/year, max implant is \$2,000/life, max ortho is \$1,200/life Union employees receive same EAP benefits as non-union from EMPAC, up to 6 visits/year Union employees appear to be eligible for Flex Benefits. If no active election they default to coverage including medical Health Alliance, group life at 2X base, ADD - \$10K Union Life provided by Principal, spouse life up to \$100K, child life \$5 or \$10K Union LTD provided by Principal, primary benefit is 60% of pay, up to \$5K/Month Medical provided by Aetna, coinsurance on both plans is 80% in net work, 50% out of network Union Rx provided by Express Scripts Sky seeds H.S.A. participants \$750 or \$1,500, deductibles are \$1,300 or \$2,600 Sky deductible for Health Alliance is \$50 per person, \$100 max All union med plans have premiums Can participate in healthcare F.S.A. at \$2,500 and Dependent Care FSA up to \$5,000 LTD appears to be a self-insured, unfunded plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirm understanding of union eligibility for Flex benefits Governance structure of benefit plans? What is relationship between Aetna and Century Health Solutions? 	Murphy

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Due Diligence Category – Labor/Other: Union Health & Welfare Benefits (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Benefits – Union Retirees	Medium	Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13.4.1.27 13.4.1.32 Union Retiree Benefits for hired after 1/1/12 13.4.1.33 Union Retiree Benefits for hired 1/21/00-12/31/11 13.4.1.34 Union Retiree Benefits for hired before 1/21/00 13.4.5.2.5 Retiree Welfare Plan Valuation 13.4.1.26 2015 Retiree Welfare Plan Document 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retiree medical outsourced to One Exchange HRA funded at \$9,000/year for retiree and \$3,000/year for spouse up to age 65 (unless hired prior to Jan 21, 2000) If hired prior to 1/21/00 get amounts listed above (\$9k, \$3k) through age 65, then \$1,680/year for each retiree plus spouse Dental offered through age 65 Life insurance provided of \$20,000 VEBA appears to be managed and record kept at Russell and has approximately \$115 MM as of 12/31/15 Funded levels appear in order 		Murphy

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Due Diligence Category – Labor/Other: Pension

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Pension Design	Medium	Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13.4.1.1 Non-Union Benefit Summary 13.4.1.2 Union Benefit Summary 13.4.1.13 Non-Union Retirement Plan 13.4.1.25 Union Retirement Plan 13.4.1.26 Pension Plan Summary of Assets (12/31/15) 13.4.1.37.1 1st Amendment to Sky Retirement Plan 13.4.5.2.6 Retirement Plan 2016 13.4.1.37.4 1st Amendment to 2015 Reinstatement (same doc as 13.4.1.37.1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All employees are covered under same pension plan Non-union employees hired up to 12/31/01 are final average earnings formula, those hired after 1/1/01 are in cash balance formula, sliding scale between 4-12% of eligible pay, interest credit is not fixed and varies year to year Union employees hired up to 1/21/00 are in different FAE formula than those hired 1/21/00-12/31/11. Union employees hired after 1/1/12 are in Cash Balance plan Normal retirement age is 65, early retirement is available at age 50 plus 5 years of service, unreduced retirement is at age 62 plus _ YOS or 60 and 35 YOS Sky and Prairie plans are more similar for non-union Pension appears to be managed by SEI and was approx \$650 MM 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governance structure? 	Murphy
Pension Funding	Medium	Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13.4.5.2.3 2015 Retirement Funding Report 13.4.5.2.1 Wolf Creek Method One Stop Report 13.4.5.1 Towers Report Pre-Read 13.4.5.2.2 Wolf Creek Serp One Stop Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pensions for Sky and WCNOC appears to be adequately funded 		Murphy
Pension Accounting	Low	Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7.1.2.2.9 Summary of Pension Trackers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pension expense is recovered in trackers 		Murphy

Due Diligence Category – Labor/Other: 401(k)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
401(k) and ESOP Plan	Medium	Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13.4.1.1 Non-Union Benefit Summary 13.4.1.2 Union Benefit Summary 13.4.1.3 Non-Union 401(k) 2014 Changes 13.4.1.4 Non-Union 401(k) SPD 13.4.1.16 Union 401(k) 2014 Changes 13.4.1.17 Union 401(k) SPD 13.4.1.36.1 1st Amendment to 401(k) Plan 13.4.1.36.2 2nd Amendment to 401(k) Plan 13.4.1.36.4 401(k) Savings Plan signed 3/5/12 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All employees are eligible for same plan Can defer up to 50% of base pay Eligibility for plan begins 1st of month after start date Company match provided after 1 year of service and is 75% of first 6% contributed Non-union can take in-service withdrawals starting at age 59.5 Sky stock is offered in plan but capped at 15% of a participants holdings Quarterly fees of \$13.25 are deducted from participants accounts for recordkeeping fees Didn't see ESOP component 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Who governs 401(k)? What value, percent of holdings and participants are invested in Sky stock? Was company match ever made in company stock? Were there ever any restrictions to sale of restricted stock? Is there an ESOP component to 401(k)? 	Murphy
401(k) Plan Benefit Audit	Medium	Complete		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Didn't locate any information in documents provided to date 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As noted above in request for all audit/5500s related to benefit plans, could audit/5500 be provided for past two years? 	Murphy

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Due Diligence Category – Labor/Other: Comp/Performance

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Comp Policies and Plan(s)	Low	Complete	13.4.3 Narrative of Compensation Practices 13.4.1.35 STI Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appears well designed and administered Only non-union is eligible Management discretion by division to allocate to each individual 		Murphy
Performance Management	Low	Complete		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Didn't locate any information in documents provided to date 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please provide any performance management philosophy, or other policy or plan documents be provided?* 	Murphy
Engagement Survey	Low	Complete		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Didn't locate any information in documents provided to date 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are engagement surveys offered? Can summary results be provided from last time offered?* 	Murphy
Recognition Platform	Low	Complete		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Didn't locate any information in documents provided to date 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What recognition platforms are offered in the way of discretionary awards or e-cards? Can summary documents of utilization be provided?* 	Murphy
Service and Retirement Awards	Low	Complete		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Didn't locate any information in documents provided to date 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does Sky have a service or retirement award program? Can summary documents on numbers and cost be provided?* 	Murphy
Relocation Policy	Low	Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13.4.4.2 Professional Relocation Policy 13.4.4.1 Executive Relocation Policy 13.4.4.3 Standard Relocation Policy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appears consistent with industry 		Murphy

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*Not material

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Due Diligence Category – Labor/Other: Union

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Union Contracts	Medium	Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13.5.1 Union 2014-2017 Contract 13.5.6 Notice to Organize 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial review complete but will need more thorough review to map differences and alternative approaches Last organizing appears to be in 2014 for I&C Techs and 3/11/15 for IT Data Center Local 1523 appears to be generation, Local 304 appears to be IT (?) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would like additional clarity on which areas are covered by Local 1523 and Local 304 	Murphy
Grievance, Arbitration or litigation	Medium	Complete	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13.5.3 Employee Grievances Filed 2013-2015 13.5.5 NLRB Charges 13.5.2 Arbitration Decisions and Settlements 13.5.4 Future Obligations 13.5.7 Open Grievances 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Process to resolve grievances seems to be well-managed, numbers and topics appear somewhat high but reasonable There are several NLRB charges that appear to be resolved and one open charge related to call-out. Number of NLRB charges seems slightly high, perhaps a reflection of labor relations. 		Murphy

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Due Diligence Category – Labor/Other: Comp/Performance

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Comp Policies and Plan(s)	Medium	In Progress		• Didn't locate any information in documents provided to date	• What STI plans are offered to employees? Who is eligible? • Please provide any comp philosophy or other policy or plan documents.	Murphy
Performance Management	Low	In-Progress		• Didn't locate any information in documents provided to date	• Please provide any performance management philosophy, or other policy or plan documents be provided?	Murphy
Engagement Survey	Medium	In-Progress		• Didn't locate any information in documents provided to date	• Are engagement surveys offered? Can summary results be provided from last time offered?	Murphy
Recognition Platform	Low	In-Progress		• Didn't locate any information in documents provided to date	• What recognition platforms are offered in the way of discretionary awards or e-cards? Can summary documents of utilization be provided?	Murphy
Service and Retirement Awards	Low	In-Progress		• Didn't locate any information in documents provided to date	• Does Sky have a service or retirement award program? Can summary documents on numbers and cost be provided?	Murphy

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Due Diligence Category – Labor/Other: Union

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Union Contracts	Medium	In-Progress	• 13.5.1 Union 2014-2017 Contract	• Initial review complete but will need more thorough review to map differences and alternative approaches	• What divisions/groups are represented by Locals 304 and 1523?	Murphy
Grievance, Arbitration or litigation	Medium	In-Progress		• Didn't locate any information in documents provided to date	• Could a summary be provided on the grievance history by local for the past 5 years by number and type of grievance? • What current grievance, arbitration or other employee litigation (or threat thereof) exists?	Murphy

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Due Diligence Category – NERC

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
NERC CIP	Medium	In-Progress	8.2.5.1	NERC CIP Audit on V5 compliance scheduled for 2016. Date continues to move due to NERC/SPP change in compliance deadlines	Monitor 2016 NERC CIP Audit timing and results	Fairchild
NERC 693	Low	In-Progress	8.2.5.1	NERC 693 Audit scheduled for 2016	Monitor 2016 NERC 693 Audit timing and results	Fairchild
NERC 693	Medium	In-Progress	8.2.5.4	Self-Report for Mitigated Offer	Monitor investigation and enforcement actions resulting from self-report	Fairchild
2015 FERC Audit	High	In-Progress	8.2.5.1 – FERC Form 1/TFR; Docket Nos. FA15-09 & FA15-15	Wizard is awaiting the FERC draft audit reports.	Monitor for completion of FERC draft audit report	Fairchild

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Due Diligence Category – Environmental

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Environmental Liabilities - Asbestos Handling or Disposal	Medium	Complete	10.13 & 4.1.2.10	Current assessment of material asbestos environmental liabilities: Sky completed an asbestos removal study in 2005 of generation facilities and has asbestos related AROs for liability.		Ling / Fairchild
Environmental Liabilities - Ash ponds	Medium	Complete	10.14, 10.8, 4.1.2.10, & 4.1.1.1	Current assessment of material ash pond environmental liabilities: Sky provided ash pond structural stability audits, ground water monitoring results for current permit requirements, proposed related environmental expenditures and related AROs for liability. Sky has not developed a strategy or potential costs associated with a CCR rule triggering event requiring immediate pond closure and corrective action for active ponds and landfills.		Ling / Fairchild
Environmental Liabilities - Material Items Not Listed Including Liabilities Relating to Formerly Owned or Operated Facilities	Medium	Complete	10.1 & 4.1.2.10	Current assessment of any other material environmental liabilities including liabilities relating to formerly owned or operated facilities: Sky provided response in Q&A that it has five remediated properties for which it is a PRP but has not disclosed any remediation liability. Sky has asbestos, PCB, and ash pond related AROs for liability.		Ling / Fairchild

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Due Diligence Category – Environmental (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Environmental Non-Compliance - Environmental Site Assessments/Inspections With Material Findings	Low	Complete	10.1	Current environmental site assessment/inspections reports with material findings: Sky provided response in Q&A that it has no reports of material findings for any of its facilities within the last five years.		Ling / Fairchild
Environmental Non-Compliance - Material Violations, Notice of Non-Compliance, Letters of Warning, or Citations	Low	Complete	10.11	Current material environmental non-compliance issues: Sky provided no material non-compliance.		Ling / Fairchild
Environmental Compliance Plans, budget, and recovery mechanisms – Coal Combustion Residual Rule and Effluent Limitation Guidelines	Medium	Complete	10.14, 10.8, 4.1.2.10, & 4.1.1.1	Environmental Compliance Plans, budget, and investment recovery mechanisms for Coal Combustion Residual Rule and Effluent Limitation Guidelines: Sky provided ash pond structural stability audits, ground water monitoring results for current permit requirements, proposed related environmental expenditures and related AROs for liability. Sky has not developed a strategy, potential costs associated with a CCR rule triggering event requiring immediate pond closure and corrective action for active ponds and landfills or cost recovery mechanisms.		Ling / Fairchild

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Due Diligence Category – Environmental (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Any pending or threatened federal, state or local administrative or judicial enforcement proceedings, orders, claims by any federal, state or local agency or any private citizen relating to environmental matters, including personal injury claims, relating to any present or former operations and properties.	Medium	Complete	10.1	Sky provided response in Q&A that it has no pending or threatened federal, state or local administrative or judicial enforcement proceedings, orders, claims by any federal, state or local agency or any private citizen relating to environmental matters, including personal injury claims, relating to any present or former operations and properties.		Ling / Fairchild

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Due Diligence Category – IT

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
IT budget	Medium	Complete	IT 5 Year Capital Plan	• Need to obtain a 5 year view of the IT capital plan (at a more granular level) and O&M view	• 5 year IT capital plan obtained, waiting on O&M data • Is there any third party labor/services included in the O&M and/or capital budgets?	King Busser
Staffing of functions	Medium	Complete	• TBD	• Need to obtain an IT organizational chart to assess headcount and synergy opportunity	• Please provide an IT organizational chart including headcount by function	King
Any third party outsourcing of IT functions	Medium	Complete	• PwC Outsourcing Agreement • FIS mainframe agreement	• No direct references found to outsourcing, but believe that some IT functions/support are outsourced	• Agreements provided for mainframe outsourcing (less costs) and application outsourcing arrangement with PwC (costs included)	King
Contractor headcount and/or SOW agreements	Medium	Complete	• PwC Outsourcing Agreement • FIS mainframe agreement	• Need to understand any third party staffing and commitments, including outsourcing arrangements	• Does Sky have any short and/or long term contractor staffing and/or outsourcing arrangements?	King
IT projected view of attrition	Medium	Complete	• TBD	• Need to understand anticipated future view of IT attrition/retirements	• Like to understand anticipated view of IT attrition/retirements.	King
Cyber assessment and event/incident history	Low	In-Progress	• Fishnet Assessment, June 2014	• Would like to obtain a copy of any penetration test and/or cyber assessments along with a cyber incident history	• Copy of FishNet web app vulnerability provided • Like to obtain any other network penetration testing/assessments	King
Cyber tools	Low	Complete	• TBD	• What tools are currently used from a cyber security and CIP perspective?	• Like to obtain a list of current cyber security and/or CIP tools	King
System stability	Low	Complete	• TBD	• Like to understand historical view of core system reliability	• Statement provided that systems are stable	King

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Due Diligence Category – IT (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Microwave system	Low	Complete	• TBD	• Sky has a larger fiber deployment than Prairie and thus smaller scale microwave deployment. How large is the Sky private microwave system?	• Sky has 15 towers, all owned	King
Cyber insurance	Low	Complete	• Insurance Summary	• Have a \$35M cyber insurance policy with 12 month term		King
View of CIP version 5 planning and related investments	Medium	In-Progress	• TBD	• Like to understand CIP version 5 preparations – investments, process definitions/ownership, readiness status	• Please provide understanding of Sky CIP version 5 preparation – ownership, investments, processes.	King Fairchild Heidtbrink
IT Incident Response Procedure	Low	Complete	• TBD	• Would like to obtain a copy of the Sky incident response plan to help assess cyber program maturity	• Like to see a copy of the Sky IT Incident Response procedure.	King
IT systems support	Medium	Complete	• TBD	• Like to have a view of IT systems support from a vendor perspective	• How much of current system portfolio (software and hardware) is under vendor maintenance?	King
Integration approach or strategy	Low	Complete	• TBD	• Like to understand if existing integration between Sky systems in point-to-point (custom) or if any shared services (e.g. SOA) are used	• Most legacy systems have point to point interfaces and new systems are integrated via services	King

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Due Diligence Category – Regulatory

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
Sky Undertakings- Rate Case	Medium	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18.1 Mgmt presentation 18.2 Mgmt call presentation 	<p>Abbreviated case 2016</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> File Oct 2016, effective July 2017 Approx \$15M ask True-up LaCygne env and WC outage Add \$50 grid resiliency investment Expect rate base to \$5.1B <p>General Rate Case 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> File May 2018, effective Feb 2019 Approx \$100M ask Expect rate base to \$5.9B Wind and other investment thru 12/31/17 \$87M JEC prch option Loss of \$150M wind PTCs Loss of \$40M wholesale contract Combo of 2 losses is \$60M rev reduction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential for expansion of grid resiliency pilot Is there potential for CWIP other for wind? Continued pursuit of residential DG tariff AMI meters being installed territory wide by 2018 	Ives
Sky Undertakings- Rate Case – Generation leases	Medium/Low	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5.4.2 LaCygne leveraged lease 5.3.2 JEC leveraged lease 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regulatory treatment differences for LaCygne sale/leaseback Also an 8% interest in JEC acquired from Aquila is under lease with option to buyout considered for 2018 case 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to understand Ops/legal alternatives upon conclusion of lease terms 	Ives
Sky Undertakings- COLI	Medium	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8.1.2.1 – COLI ref to 3.3 4.3 COLI 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sky has Corporate Owned Life Insurance – COLI Set up in 1986 in response to WC issues. Plan called for earnings for 40 years to customers then remainder of earnings to shareholders thereafter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schedule 4.3.1.2 2016 summary update shows earning shortfall below original projections both for customers and shareholders, mostly due to lower than projected interest rates. Is the shortfall going to be a regulatory issue? 	Ives
Sky Undertakings- KEEIA	Low	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8.1.2.9 Energy Efficiency Rider Summary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sky currently has limited EE programs in place. Around the 2015 case they filed then pulled a more extensive EE portfolio 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is there an opportunity to initiate a KEEIA portfolio and filing for Sky? 	Ives

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Due Diligence Category – Regulatory (cont.)

TOPIC / ISSUE	PRIORITY (H, M or L)	EVALUATION STATUS	DOCUMENTS REVIEWED (DATA ROOM CITATION)	SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT	OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS / INFORMATION DESIRED	OWNER
FERC Generation formula rates	Low	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18.2 Mgmt Call Presentation 7.1.1.2 wholesale revenues customers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sky has FERC Generation formula rates Reset January annually Applies to certain full requirements wholesale customers (150Mw to 200Mw under formula) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is impact to formula of \$40M lost wholesale revenues contemplated in 2018 case Are there any other unique nuances to formula? 	Ives
FERC transmission formula rates	Low	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18.2 Mgmt Call Presentation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sky has FERC Transmission formula rates Reset January annually Retail rates adjusted through TDC without full GRC for transmission formula rate changes Use of forward test year ROE recently settled at 10.3% inclusive of 0.5% RTO participation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to document differences from Prairie TFR and TDC during integration planning 	Ives
Retail alternative rate mechanisms	Low	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18.1 Mgmt Presentation 18.2 Mgmt Call Presentation 8.1.2 various mechanism summaries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sky has fuel ECA, TDC, EER, PTS, CWIP and Predetermination, previous ECRR (environmental costs), extraordinary storm deferral, CIP/Cyber tracker, Pension trackers and availability of abbreviated rate cases 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to document differences from Prairie alternative mechanisms during integration planning 	Ives
KPL/KGE Merger documents	Medium	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8.1.2.3 KGE merger documents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KGE/KPL merger approved Nov 1991 Rate freeze until 1995 Cash refunds on merger effective and in year 2 50/50 synergy sharing with offset for partial acquisition premium recovery Synergy tracking required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to use structure as informative for merger approval filing. Need to review merger stipulation and order to ensure no other commitments to be considered in new merger approval filing. 	Ives
FERC Audits	Low	In-Progress	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8.2.5 Summary of Regulatory Audits Mgmt Presentation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sky has had a fair amount of FERC/regulatory audits recently Indications are have been fairly routine and no significant unsettled issues expected 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to thoroughly evaluate during integration planning 	Ives

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Regulatory assets/liabilities	Low	In-Progress	• 4.1.2.14 Regulatory Asset and Liability summaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of 3/31/16 Regulatory Assets in the amount of \$1.177B (current and long term). Largest of which is Pensions and OPEBs \$406M. As pf 3/31/16 Regulatory Liabilities in the amount of \$461M (current and long term). Largest of which is Deferred gain from sale/leaseback of \$148M. 	• Need full assessment of Reg Asset and Liabilities during integration planning	Ives
Understanding regulatory landscape and merger approval process in KS and MO	High	In-Progress		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval required by KS Commission. Also FERC. 300 day process in KS by statute. Don't anticipate approval required in MO. Typically an 8-12month process in MO. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need development of regulatory stakeholder communication plan post announcement MO no detriment standard Consideration of Prairie holding company agreement language in MO KS net benefit standard 	Ives
Regulatory strategy: Customers	Medium	Complete	• TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sky has a few special customer contracts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to find specifics of special retail customer contracts in data room. What is the associated rate treatment? 	Ives
Regulatory strategy: Customers	Medium/Low	Complete	• TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customer Complaints 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does Sky have pending formal customer complaints? 	Ives

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Regulatory strategy: Compliance	High	Complete	• TBD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reporting and Compliance Effort 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify a listing of jurisdictional reporting/compliance filings in data room or during integration planning 	Ives
FERC	Medium	In-Progress		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Market based rate authority 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does Sky have Market Based Rate authority. Find information in data room or determine during integration planning. 	Ives

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EXHIBIT JAK-9

KCPL KS
Case Name: 2016 Westar Acquisition
Case Number: 16-KCPE-593-ACQ

Response to Bond Ashley Interrogatories - BPU_20160928
Date of Response: 10/12/2016

Question: 2-1

Referring to the Direct Testimony of William Kemp, please provide all work papers and documents relied on by Mr. Kemp to calculate his merger savings estimates, including all data, analyses, spreadsheets (with formulas intact and all “linked” spreadsheets included).

Response:

See the responses to KCC staff data requests 134 and 135 and the attached annotated workpaper that was provided with those responses, “Q7_CONF_Workpaper_Merger Savings Model_5-14-16_Annotated”.

Attachment:

Q7_CONF_Workpaper_Merger Savings Model_5-14-16_Annotated
Q2-1_Verification.pdf

Verification of Response

Kansas City Power & Light Company

Docket No. 16-KCPE-593-ACQ

The response to KCC Data Request# 2-1, submitted by KCP&L, is covered by this Verification of Response:

I have read the foregoing Information Request(s) and answer(s) thereto and find answer(s) to be true, accurate, full and complete, and contain no material misrepresentations or omissions to the best of my knowledge and belief; and I will disclose to the Commission Staff any matter subsequently discovered which affects the accuracy or completeness of the answer(s) to this Information Request(s).

Signed: William J. Kemp

Title: Senior Managing Director

Date: October 11, 2016

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				Allocation Reduction or Percent of Spend											
#	Business Unit	Division	Department Name	Depart ment Id	B HC 2016	B HC 2017	B HC 2018	B HC 2019	B HC 2020	B HC 2021	B HC 2022	B HC 2023	B HC 2024	B HC 2025	B HC 2026
2	-	CHAIRMAN, PRESIDE	President & CEO	300		0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
102	KCPJ SUPPORT	Finance / Strategy / A	Senior VP & CFO	893		1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
6	-		NERC Implementing & Ops	206		1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
7	-	Chief Operating Offi	Chief Operating Officer	219		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
138	KCPJ SUPPORT	Treas / Investor Rel /	Corporate Finance	894		6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6
180	KCPJ SUPPORT	Risk Mgmt & Control	Controller	699		29.2	29.2	29.2	29.2	29.2	29.2	29.2	29.2	29.2	29.2
188	KCPJ SUPPORT	Treas / Investor Rel /	Corporate Finance	894		6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6
110	KCPJ SUPPORT	Human Resources	Employees & Labor Relations	205		5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2
111	KCPJ SUPPORT	Human Resources	Organizational Development	845		0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
112	KCPJ SUPPORT	Human Resources	HR Service Center & Tech Innov	846		2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
113	KCPJ SUPPORT	Human Resources	HR Executive	850		0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
114	KCPJ SUPPORT	Human Resources	Compensation & Benefits	851		3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
115	KCPJ SUPPORT	Human Resources	HRIS & Payroll	855		3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1	3.1
192	KCPJ SUPPORT	Regulatory Affairs	Regulatory Affairs	861		8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
119	KCPJ SUPPORT	Legal Services	Law Department	861		3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
165	KCPJ SUPPORT	Information Technol	IT Strategy & Management	870		3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
166	KCPJ SUPPORT	Information Technol	IT Infrastructure/Architecture	871		7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.6
167	KCPJ SUPPORT	Information Technol	Customer Systems Support	872		-	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
168	KCPJ SUPPORT	Information Technol	Enterprise Systems Support	873		5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4
169	KCPJ SUPPORT	Information Technol	Desktop & Client Services	874		6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
172	KCPJ SUPPORT	Information Technol	IP Network Engineering Ops	877		1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3
173	KCPJ SUPPORT	Information Technol	Technical Services	878		2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
174	KCPJ SUPPORT	Information Technol	Project Controls Office	879		0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
139	KCPJ SUPPORT	Marketing & Public A	Customer & Community Affairs	171		3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
140	KCPJ SUPPORT	Marketing & Public A	Corporate Communications	170		7.6	8.0	8.0	8.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0
141	KCPJ SUPPORT	Marketing & Public A	Government Affairs	511		1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
142	KCPJ SUPPORT	Marketing & Public A	Community Relations	512		2.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
143	KCPJ SUPPORT	Marketing & Public A	Economic Development	562		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
144	KCPJ SUPPORT	Marketing & Public A	External Communications	564		-	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
145	KCPJ SUPPORT	Marketing & Public A	Customer Insight	570		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
146	KCPJ SUPPORT	Marketing & Public A	eServices	571		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
147	KCPJ SUPPORT	Marketing & Public A	Marketing Intelligence	572		3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
148	KCPJ SUPPORT	Marketing & Public A	Energy Efficiency	574		4.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
149	KCPJ SUPPORT	Marketing & Public A	Customer Solutions	576		3.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
150	KCPJ SUPPORT	Marketing & Public A	Business Center	657		1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
128	KCPJ SUPPORT	Safety & Corporate S	Generation Safety	401		5.0	5.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
129	KCPJ SUPPORT	Safety & Corporate S	Medical	853		-	-	-	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
130	KCPJ SUPPORT	Safety & Corporate S	Safety	854		2.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
131	KCPJ SUPPORT	Safety & Corporate S	Security	863		4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
155	KCPJ SUPPORT	Corp Compliance & E	Environmental Services	390		5.0	5.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
156	KCPJ SUPPORT	Corp Compliance & E	FERC Assurance	406		2.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
157	KCPJ SUPPORT	Corp Compliance & E	KCP&L Corporate Secretary	705		1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
158	KCPJ SUPPORT	Corp Compliance & E	Audit Services	820		5.0	6.0	6.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
14	KCPJ GENERATION	Plant Operations	Central Machine Facility	450		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
16	KCPJ GENERATION	Plant Operations	Montrose	464		-	-	110.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	110.0	110.0
20	KCPJ GENERATION	Plant Operations	Sibley	786		-	-	33.3	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9	99.9
25	KCPJ GENERATION	Generation Services	Generation Sales & Services	414		30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
27	KCPJ GENERATION	Generation Services	Generation Engineering Svcs	454		3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
29	KCPJ GENERATION	Generation Services	Production Administration	457		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
SKY	GENMKTG	Plant Operations	Lawrence Energy Center	3A		-	-	88.2	88.3	88.3	88.3	88.3	88.3	88.3	88.3
SKY	GENMKTG	Plant Operations	Tecumseh Energy Center	3A		-	-	34.1	34.1	34.1	34.1	34.1	34.1	34.1	34.1
SKY	GENMKTG	Plant Operations	Plant Support Engineering	3B		3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
SKY	GENMKTG	Plant Operations	Murray Hill Energy Center	3D		-	-	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0
46	KCPJ DELIVERY	Delivery Engineering	T&D Engineering	360		6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0
47	KCPJ DELIVERY	Delivery Engineering	T&D Transmission Planning	412		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
49	KCPJ DELIVERY	Delivery Engineering	Transmission System Operations	551		1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
SKY	PDO	T&D Operations	6A Work & Asset Management System	6A		3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
SKY	PDO	T&D Operations	Vegetation Management	6D		8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
SKY	PDO	T&D Operations	System Planning	65		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
SKY	PDO	T&D Operations	Transmission Operations	66		3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
SKY	STRATEGY	Customer Services	Customer Relations Center	8A		12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.0
SKY	KCPJ GENERATION	Plant Operations	460-Central Machine Facility	460		-	-	34.1	34.1	34.1	34.1	34.1	34.1	34.1	34.1
SKY	KCPJ GENERATION	Renewable Resource	460-Wind Turb Generation	460		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SKY	KCPJ DELIVERY	Delivery Engineering	560-Elec Trans Business Ops-Genl	560		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
180.0	KCPJ SUPPORT	Risk Mgmt & Control	699 Controller			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SKY	KCPJ SUPPORT	Supply Chain	755 Purchasing Department			13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
SKY	KCPJ SUPPORT	Supply Chain	760 Materials - T&D			15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00

EXHIBIT JAK-10

Revised Capital Expenditure Savings

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Miles of Line					
Westar	28,900	28,900	28,900	28,900	28,900
KCP&L	22,600	22,600	22,600	22,600	22,600
Distribution Spend					
Westar	152.66	136.09	170.20	165.17	186.33
KCP&L	129.01	128.75	117.69	117.88	132.70
Distribution Spend / Mile					
Westar	5,282.39	4,709.01	5,889.20	5,715.35	6,447.46
KCP&L	5,708.58	5,696.81	5,207.40	5,215.92	5,871.69
Adjusted Distribution Spend					
Westar			150.49	150.74	169.69
KCP&L			117.69	117.88	132.70
Adjusted Distribution Spend / Mile					
Westar			5,207.40	5,215.92	5,871.69
KCP&L			5,207.40	5,215.92	5,871.69
Distribution Capital Savings			19.70	14.43	16.64

EXHIBIT JAK-11

Great Plains Energy to Acquire Westar Energy, Creating Long-Term Value for Shareholders and Cost Savings for Customers

5/31/2016

Transaction, valued at \$12.2 billion, creates leading Midwest electric utility better positioned to serve customers and meet the region's energy needs.

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Kansas City, Mo. (May 31, 2016) – Great Plains Energy Incorporated (NYSE: GXP), the parent company of KCP&L, and Westar Energy, Inc. (NYSE: WR), today announced a definitive agreement for Great Plains Energy to acquire Westar in a combined cash and stock transaction with an enterprise value of approximately \$12.2 billion, including total equity value of approximately \$8.6 billion. Upon closing, Westar will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Great Plains Energy.

Once the transaction is complete, Great Plains Energy will have more than 1.5 million customers in Kansas and Missouri, nearly 13,000 megawatts of generation capacity, almost 10,000 miles of transmission lines and over 51,000 miles of distribution lines. In addition, more than 45 percent of the combined utility's retail customer demand can be met with emission-free energy.

"Westar and KCP&L are trusted neighbors and have worked together for generations in Kansas. The combination of our two companies is the best fit for meeting our region's energy needs," said Terry Bassham, chairman and chief executive officer of Great Plains Energy and KCP&L. "This is an important transaction for Kansas and our entire region. By combining our two companies, we are keeping ownership local and management responsive to regulators, customers and regional needs, while enhancing our ability to build long-term value for shareholders."

Currently, Great Plains Energy and Westar jointly own and operate the Wolf Creek Nuclear Generating Station, as well as the La Cygne and Jeffrey power plants. With the addition of Westar's generation fleet, Great Plains Energy will have a more diverse and sustainable generation portfolio. This will provide increased flexibility to mitigate the potential customer impacts from future carbon regulation. In addition, among investor-owned utilities in the United States, the combined company will have one of the largest portfolios of wind generation in the country.

"This is an important day for Westar, our customers, employees, shareholders, the communities we support and for the state of Kansas," said Mark Ruelle, president and chief executive officer of Westar. "Our commitment to reliability, customer satisfaction, safety and sustainability is consistent with Great Plains Energy's values, which makes them our ideal partner. We're eager to join the Great Plains Energy team, and excited about this new chapter that combines the unique strengths of our respective organizations to form an even stronger company for our state."

Great Plains Energy has an established track record of successful integration with adjacent electric utilities. In 2008, Great Plains Energy completed its acquisition of Aquila, an electric utility serving customers in adjacent areas of Missouri. That successful acquisition has delivered – and continues to deliver – significant savings for customers, which exceeded initial expectations and was reviewed and approved by both the Missouri Public Service Commission and the Kansas Corporation Commission.

"The utility industry is facing rising customer expectations, increasing environmental standards and emerging cyber security threats. These factors, coupled with slower demand growth for electricity, are driving our costs and customer rates higher. Our acquisition of Westar will create operational efficiencies and future cost savings that will benefit all involved – customers, shareholders, employees and the communities we serve. These savings also will help reduce future rate increase requests," said Bassham. "Combining our two companies will result in cost savings and operational benefits for our more than 900,000 Kansas and 600,000 Missouri customers."

Transaction terms and financing profile

Under the terms of the agreement, which was unanimously approved by the boards of directors for both companies, Westar shareholders will receive \$60.00 per share of total consideration for each share of Westar common stock, consisting of \$51.00 in cash and \$9.00 in Great Plains Energy common stock, subject to a 7.5 percent collar based upon the Great Plains Energy common stock price at the time of the closing of the transaction, with the exchange ratio for the stock consideration ranging between 0.2709 to 0.3146 shares of Great Plains Energy common stock for

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each Westar share of common stock, representing a consideration mix of 85 percent cash and 15 percent stock.

The transaction enterprise value is expected to be approximately \$12.2 billion, inclusive of approximately \$8.6 billion in total stock and cash consideration to be received by Westar's shareholders and the assumption of approximately \$3.6 billion in Westar's debt. Great Plains Energy has secured approximately \$8.0 billion of committed debt financing from Goldman Sachs Bank USA and Goldman Sachs Lending Partners LLC in connection with the transaction for the full cash portion of the transaction consideration. Great Plains Energy has also secured a \$750 million mandatorily preferred convertible equity commitment from the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS), to be funded at the closing of the transaction. Great Plains Energy plans to issue long-term financing consisting of a combination of equity, equity-linked securities and debt prior to closing of the transaction. This financing mix will allow Great Plains Energy to maintain its solid, investment grade credit ratings.

Great Plains Energy expects savings generated from combining the two companies to be consistent with recent comparable transactions, and its own recent experience. Great Plains Energy expects the acquisition will be neutral to earnings-per-share in the first full calendar year of operations and significantly accretive thereafter. The long-term earnings growth target of the combined company is expected to grow to six to eight percent—better than either company on a standalone basis.

Leadership and headquarters Upon completion of the transaction, Bassham will be chairman and chief executive officer of the combined company. Ruelle will remain in his current role with Westar until the closing of the transaction. In addition, Great Plains Energy will add one director from the Westar Board of Directors to the Great Plains Energy Board of Directors.

"We understand the importance of Westar to the communities it serves and the meaningful contributions it makes as a major employer in Kansas," said Bassham. "We are committed to maintaining the operating headquarters for our Kansas service territory in downtown Topeka. We also know that Westar has a reputation as a strong supporter of community and charitable initiatives. We will continue this legacy and are committed to maintaining a strong presence in all of the communities Westar serves."

Sustainability

Customers today expect their utility providers to identify and advance energy efficiency options that give them greater control and choice. The combined company will have a greater, more diverse portfolio of energy solutions that give customers the opportunities to better manage their individual energy needs. In addition, Great Plains Energy operates the nation's largest utility-owned electric vehicle charging network, which can be expanded to benefit Westar's customers.

Regulatory Approval

The companies anticipate making the required regulatory filings with the Kansas Corporation Commission and other regulatory entities during June and July of 2016. In addition, Great Plains Energy and Westar will seek shareholder approvals later this year. The transaction is subject to approvals from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. The transaction also is subject to the notification, clearance and reporting requirements under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act by the Federal Trade Commission and the U.S. Department of Justice. The companies anticipate closing in the spring of 2017. In the coming months, the companies will work together to develop a robust integration plan.

Advisors

Goldman, Sachs & Co. served as the exclusive financial advisor and Bracewell LLP served as legal advisor to Great Plains Energy. Guggenheim Securities, LLC served as the sole financial advisor and Baker Botts LLP served as legal advisor to Westar Energy.

Analyst Conference Call/Webcast

Great Plains Energy and Westar will host a financial community conference call to provide additional information on Tuesday, May 31, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time/9:00 a.m. Central Daylight Time to discuss the Great Plains Energy and Westar transaction.

A live audio webcast of the conference call and presentation slides will be available on the investor relations page of Great Plains Energy's website at www.greatplainsenergy.com (<http://www.greatplainsenergy.com>). The webcast will be accessible only in a "listen-only" mode.

The conference call may be accessible by dialing (888) 353-7071 (U.S./Canada) or (724) 498-4416 (international) five to ten minutes prior to the scheduled start time. The passcode is 23802311.

A replay and transcript of the call will be available on or before Wednesday, June 1, 2016, by accessing the investor relations section of the company's website. A telephonic replay of the conference call will also be available on or

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About Westar Energy

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and cost increases of generation, transmission, distribution or other projects; Great Plains Energy's ability to successfully manage transmission joint venture or to integrate the transmission joint ventures of Westar; the inherent risks associated with the ownership and operation of a nuclear facility including, but not limited to, environmental, health, safety, regulatory and financial risks; workforce risks, including, but not limited to, increased costs of retirement, health care and other benefits; the ability of Great Plains Energy to obtain the regulatory and shareholder approvals necessary to complete the anticipated acquisition of Westar; the risk that a condition to the closing of the anticipated acquisition of Westar or the committed debt or equity financing may not be satisfied or that the anticipated acquisition may fail to close; the failure to obtain, or to obtain on favorable terms, any equity, debt or equity-linked financing necessary to complete or permanently finance the anticipated acquisition of Westar and the costs of such financing; the outcome of any legal proceedings, regulatory proceedings or enforcement matters that may be instituted relating to the anticipated acquisition of Westar; the costs incurred to consummate the anticipated acquisition of Westar; the possibility that the expected value creation from the anticipated acquisition of Westar will not be realized, or will not be realized within the expected time period; the credit ratings of Great Plains Energy following the anticipated acquisition of Westar; disruption from the anticipated acquisition of Westar making it more difficult to maintain relationships with customers, employees, regulators or suppliers; the diversion of management time and attention on the proposed transactions; and other risks and uncertainties. The foregoing list of factors is not all-inclusive because it is not possible to predict all factors. Additional risks and uncertainties are discussed in the joint proxy statement/prospectus and other materials that Great Plains Energy has filed and will file with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in connection with the proposed transaction. Other risk factors are detailed from time to time in Great Plains Energy's quarterly reports on Form 10-Q and annual report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC. Each forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date it was made. Great Plains Energy undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

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Investors can obtain free copies of the Registration Statement and joint proxy statement/prospectus and other documents filed by Great Plains Energy and Westar with the SEC at <http://www.sec.gov>, the SEC's website, or free of charge from Great Plains Energy's website (<http://www.greatplainsenergy.com>) (<http://www.greatplainsenergy.com>) under the tab, "Investor Relations" and then under the heading "SEC Filings." These documents are also available free of charge from Westar's website (<http://www.westarenergy.com>) (<http://www.westarenergy.com>) under the tab "Investors" and then under the heading "SEC Filings."

Participants in Proxy Solicitation

Great Plains Energy, Westar and their respective directors and certain of their executive officers and employees may be deemed, under SEC rules, to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from Great Plains Energy's and Westar's shareholders with respect to the proposed transaction. Information regarding the officers and directors of Great Plains Energy is included in its definitive proxy statement for its 2016 annual meeting filed with SEC on March 24, 2016. Information regarding the officers and directors of Westar is included in its definitive proxy statement for its 2016 annual meeting filed with the SEC on April 1, 2016. Additional information regarding the identity of potential participants, and their direct or indirect interests, by securities, holdings or otherwise, is set forth in the Registration Statement and definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus and other materials filed with SEC in connection with the proposed transaction. Free copies of these documents may be obtained as described in the paragraphs above.

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About KCP&L:

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use KCP&L as a brand name. More information about the companies is available on the Internet at www.greatplainsenergy.com (<http://www.greatplainsenergy.com/>) or www.kcpl.com (<http://www.kcpl.com/>).

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S&P Global Ratings

Great Plains Energy Inc. Ratings Affirmed, Outlook Revised To Negative On Proposed Acquisition Of Westar Energy

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Great Plains Energy Inc. (GPE) announced it will acquire Westar Energy Inc. for about \$8.6 billion, plus the assumption of Westar's debt. The parties expect the transaction to close by mid-2017. We are affirming our 'BBB+' issuer credit ratings on GPE and subsidiaries Kansas City Power & Light Co. and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Co. and for all three entities revising the outlook to negative from stable. The negative outlook reflects the potential for lower ratings if GPE's financial risk profile, which will deteriorate due to financing used in the acquisition, does not improve after the transaction closes such that funds from operations to total debt is well over 13% after 2018.

NEW YORK (S&P Global Ratings) May 31, 2016--S&P Global Ratings said today it affirmed its ratings on Great Plains Energy Inc. (GPE) and subsidiaries Kansas City Power & Light Co. (KCP&L) and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Co. (GMO), including the 'BBB+' issuer credit ratings, and revised the outlook to negative from stable for all entities.

The ratings affirmation on GPE and its subsidiaries reflects our view that the Westar acquisition will enhance GPE's business risk profile given that Westar's operations also consist of regulated electric utilities that benefit from operations under a generally constructive regulatory framework and service territories with average customer growth.

The outlook revision to negative reflects our view that GPE's financial risk profile will weaken due to the proposed financing, pressuring GPE's overall credit profile for the next few years. We expect that after the acquisition closes, the combined entity's financial profile will strengthen mainly due to ongoing regulatory recovery of costs such that funds from operations (FFO) to total debt is consistently above 13%. In addition to assuming Westar's debt, GPE plans to fund the acquisition price of about \$8.6 billion with common equity, mandatory convertible preferred stock, Great Plains common stock, and debt.

Prospectively, the combined entity would have more diverse electric utility cash flow sources, strengthening the excellent business risk profile. GPE's customer mix would shift from being about three-quarters in Missouri before the Westar transaction to about 40% after the closing, with Kansas customers making up the difference. The customer base would be further bolstered with an almost doubling of customers, which would mitigate exposure to any one industry, and would boost the base level of usage from the combined 1.55 million largely residential and commercial customers. GPE's stand-alone rate base mix would shift from about 65% in Missouri and 30% in Kansas, with the remainder under Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) jurisdiction, to 55% Kansas, 32% Missouri, and the remainder under FERC regulation.

The negative outlook on GPE and its subsidiaries reflects the potential for

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lower ratings if GPE's financial risk profile, which will deteriorate due to the financing used in the acquisition, does not improve after the transaction closes such that FFO to total debt is well over 13% after 2018.

We could lower ratings on GPE and its subsidiaries if GPE's financial risk profile remains weak after the merger such that FFO to total debt is consistently below 13%. This could occur if the transaction is funded disproportionately with debt or if capital spending increases materially while investment recovery lags.

We could affirm the ratings on GPE after the merger closes if the combined company demonstrates that it can achieve FFO to total debt of over 13% after 2018.

RELATED CRITERIA AND RESEARCH

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EXHIBIT JAK-13



Rating Action **Moody's Places Great Plains Energy on Review for Downgrade; Westar Energy, Kansas City Power & Light and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Affirmed; Outlooks Stable**

Global Credit Research - 31 May 2016

New York, May 31, 2016 -- Moody's Investors Service, ("Moody's") placed long-term ratings of Great Plains Energy (Great Plains or GX) (see debt list below) on review for downgrade. The review is prompted by Moody's announcement that Great Plains agreed to acquire Westar Energy for over \$12 billion, which includes the assumption of approximately \$4 billion of Westar debt. Great Plains said the acquisition financing would include a mix of debt and equity.

At the same time, Moody's affirmed the long-term and short-term ratings of Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCPL), KCP&L -- Greater Missouri Operations Company (GMO) and Westar (Westar) with stable outlooks.

On Review for Downgrade:

- ..Issuer: Great Plains Energy Incorporated
-Subordinate Shelf, Placed on Review for Downgrade, currently (P)Baa3
-Senior Unsecured Shelf, Placed on Review for Downgrade, currently (P)Baa2
-Pref. Stock Preferred Stock, Placed on Review for Downgrade, currently Ba1
-Subordinate Regular Bond/Debenture, Placed on Review for Downgrade, currently Baa3
-Senior Unsecured Regular Bond/Debenture, Placed on Review for Downgrade, currently Baa2

Outlook Actions:

- ..Issuer: Great Plains Energy Incorporated
-Outlook, Changed To Rating Under Review From Stable
- ..Issuer: Kansas City Power & Light Company
-Outlook, Remains Stable
- ..Issuer: Kansas Gas and Electric Company
-Outlook, Remains Stable
- ..Issuer: KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company
-Outlook, Remains Stable
- ..Issuer: Westar Energy, Inc.
-Outlook, Remains Stable

Affirmations:

- ..Issuer: Burlington (City of) KS
-Senior Secured Revenue Bonds, Affirmed A2
-Underlying Senior Secured Revenue Bonds, Affirmed A2

....Senior Unsecured Revenue Bonds, Affirmed Baa1
Underlying Senior Unsecured Revenue Bonds, Affirmed Baa1
 ..Issuer: Kansas City Power & Light Company
 Issuer Rating, Affirmed Baa1
Senior Secured Shelf, Affirmed (P)A2
Senior Unsecured Shelf, Affirmed (P)Baa1
Senior Secured First Mortgage Bonds, Affirmed A2
Senior Unsecured Commercial Paper, Affirmed P-2
Senior Unsecured Regular Bond/Debenture, Affirmed Baa1
 ..Issuer: Kansas Gas and Electric Company
 Issuer Rating, Affirmed Baa1
Senior Secured First Mortgage Bonds, Affirmed A2
Senior Secured Shelf, Affirmed (P)A2
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 ..Issuer: La Cygne (City of) KS
Senior Secured Revenue Bonds, Affirmed A2
Underlying Senior Secured Revenue Bonds, Affirmed A2
Senior Secured Revenue Bonds, Affirmed MIG 2
 ..Issuer: Missouri Env. Imp. & Engrs. Auth.
Senior Secured Revenue Bonds, Affirmed A2
 ..Issuer: State Env. Improv. and Energy Res. Auth. MO
Senior Unsecured Revenue Bonds, Affirmed Baa1
 ..Issuer: Wamego (City of) KS
Senior Secured Revenue Bonds, Affirmed A2
Underlying Senior Secured Revenue Bonds, Affirmed A2
 ..Issuer: Westar Energy, Inc.
 Issuer Rating, Affirmed Baa1
Senior Secured Bank Credit Facility, Affirmed A2
Senior Secured First Mortgage Bonds, Affirmed A2
Senior Unsecured Commercial Paper, Affirmed P-2

RATINGS RATIONALE

"Great Plains is sacrificing its strong financial profile to acquire a neighbor," said Ryan Wobbrock, Vice President -Senior Analyst. "This is a bigger is better merger where Westar will help Great Plains double assets. But the financing plan will triple its debt, leaving little financial flexibility and is indicative of management's higher tolerance for financial risk."

The addition of approximately \$4.4 billion of parent acquisition debt is likely to result in a one-notch downgrade to Baa3, for Great Plains. The review period will be focused on several risk factors that Moody's sees beyond the added leverage, including: various regulatory reviews and approval proceedings, potential for, and magnitude of, customer benefits required to close the transaction; execution of the financing plan including equity and hybrid issuances; and any differences between the parent company's cash inflows and outflows, where subsidiary stream dividends are insufficient to cover all of the parent company's principal and interest expense obligations.

From a strategic perspective Moody's sees Westar as a natural fit for Great Plains, given overlapping service territories and a shared ownership of the 1,170 mega-watt Wolf Creek nuclear generating facility. Utilities with contiguous service territories tend to produce higher operating cost synergies. The primary credit benefit in acquiring Westar, is that Great Plains increases its exposure to the Kansas regulatory environment. Today Moody's views the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) to be slightly more supportive of long-term credit quality than the Missouri Public Service Commission (MPS), because Kansas provides a higher use of expense tracking mechanisms and the ability to file abbreviated rate cases for significant capital expenditures.

Moody's also sees the benefit of Westar bringing an additional \$1.2 billion of Federal Electric Regulatory Commission (FERC) regulated transmission base. We view FERC as the most supportive regulatory jurisdiction in the US, due to forward looking, formula rates and relatively allowed ROEs.

The acquisition debt will increase the percentage of parent holding company debt to total consolidated debt from a negligible 2% to over 35% at the transaction closing, which Moody's thinks will take 12 months. The higher amount of parent holding company leverage will likely result in a wider rating-notch differential between the ratings of Great Plains and its principal utility subsidiaries, which include Kansas City Power & Light, Kansas Gas & Electric and Westar, and a weighted average rating of Baa1 senior unsecured.

The transaction's financing plans are viewed as a signal that Great Plains' management and board of directors have a higher risk tolerance for leverage than previously considered, which is a long-term negative. With little financial cushion, Great Plains will be more exposed to risks associated with successfully executing transition and integration plan and longer-term issues, such as maintaining regulatory support and softening of regional macro-economic fundamentals.

At this time, Moody's expects no more than a one-notch downgrade for Great Plains, which would place it ratings in the Baa3 rating category, down from the Baa2 rating category. Prior to the acquisition, Moody's calculates a ratio of cash flow from operations to debt around the 13% range, from the 17% that Great Plains produced for the twelve months ended March 2016.

The affirmation of KCPL's Baa1 and GMO's Baa2 ratings reflect improving financial performance of each utility. This financial improvement is driven by the conclusion of extensive capital expenditures at each utility, which have been in progress for the past several years and were designed to help meet environmental compliance standards. Over the next two to three years, these investments should be fully incorporated into rate base, which will improve the cash position and standalone financial metrics of each utility (cash flow to debt slightly above 20% for KCPL and slightly above 20% for GMO).

The affirmation of the ratings and stable outlook for Westar reflects maintenance of solid cash flow to debt metrics around 20% despite a robust capital plan to add wind generation to its supply portfolio over the next two years.

The principal methodology used in these ratings was Regulated Electric Gas Utilities published in December 2013. Please see the Rating Methodologies page on www.moody.com for a copy of this methodology.

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Fitch Places Westar on Negative Watch Following Acquisition Announcement

Fitch Ratings-Chicago-01 June 2016: Fitch Ratings has placed the 'BBB+' Issuer Default Ratings (IDRs) of Westar Energy, Inc. (Westar) and Kansas Gas & Electric Co. (KGE) on Rating Watch Negative following the announcement of the proposed acquisition by Great Plains Energy Inc. (GXP; not rated by Fitch) for \$12.2 billion, including \$3.6 billion of assumed debt. Westar will become a direct wholly owned subsidiary of GXP upon deal closing, which is expected to occur by Spring 2017. A full list of rating actions is at the end of this press release.

Fitch's primary concern is the level of GXP consolidated leverage following the acquisition, inclusive of \$4.4 billion of parent-level debt plus an undetermined amount of hybrid securities (Fitch typically assigns 50% to 100% debt value to hybrid structures prevalent in the utility sector). Fitch estimates that consolidated funds from operations (FFO)-adjusted leverage could exceed 6.5x following the merger, which is significantly weaker than the 5x average for utilities rated in the 'BBB' category. Fitch typically limits the notching difference between the parent and its subsidiaries to one or two notches, depending on the level of operational, functional and financial ties. Thus, elevated leverage at GXP would negatively weigh on Westar's and KGE's ratings and could result in a one or two notch downgrade. GXP's long-term financial policy, the amount of hybrids used to finance the acquisition, GXP's deleveraging plan as well as the level of integration and/or ring-fencing going-forward will become key criteria in assessing Westar's and KGE's credit profiles after the acquisition is completed.

GXP plans to acquire Westar for \$7.3 billion in cash plus \$1.3 billion of GXP common stock. At \$60/share, the purchase price represents a 36% premium over the closing price on March 9, 2015, when rumours of a potential transaction surfaced. The transaction value of \$12.2 billion, including assumed debt of \$3.6 billion, represents a 12x multiple to Westar's latest 12 months (LTM) EBITDA at first-quarter 2016. GXP has secured \$8 billion of committed financing and \$750 million of mandatorily preferred convertible equity commitment but intends to ultimately finance the transaction using a mix of debt and equity, including equity-like hybrids.

KEY RATING DRIVERS

High Consolidated Leverage: The sheer size of the acquisition compared to GXP's current balance sheet will weigh on GXP's financial profile. Fitch notes that the acquisition-related debt of \$4.4 billion, excluding hybrid securities, is larger than GXP's consolidated reported debt of \$4.2 billion at March 31, 2016. Adding Westar's existing debt of \$3.6 billion, Fitch estimates that pro forma consolidated adjusted debt will likely exceed \$13 billion while consolidated EBITDA will be close to \$2 billion resulting in adjusted debt to EBITDA of about 6.5x. Fitch's estimates are roughly consistent with management's guidance of 13%-14% FFO-debt leverage post-merger. These metrics typically equate to a 'BB' rating category, absent a firm and credible commitment to deleveraging.

Business Profile Mostly Unchanged: The combination of GXP and Westar brings together similar business models likely to generate synergy savings while presenting low integration risk, in Fitch's opinion. GXP and Westar operate contiguous service territories with significant connecting transmission lines and co-ownership of large generation assets. Improved scale and greater integration of these assets will likely result in significant synergies. While synergies are unlikely to be retained by Westar or GXP, they should create headroom in the retail rates for further rate-base investments and earnings growth. Furthermore, GXP is already familiar with the regulatory construct in Kansas through its ownership of Kansas City Power & Light (KCP&L).

Regulatory Approvals: State regulatory approval is only needed in Kansas, where the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) has 300 days from filings to judge whether the proposed acquisition is in the public interest based on an established list of criteria. The transaction will also need approval from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission as well as from Westar and GXP shareholders, amongst others. Management expects the transaction to close in Spring 2017.

Stable Stand-Alone Credit Metrics: Under its base case scenario, Fitch anticipates Westar's credit metrics will remain relatively stable over the rating horizon with adjusted debt to EBITDAR and FFO-adjusted leverage estimated at 3.5x-3.7x over the 2016-2019 forecast period.

Parent/Subsidiary Rating Linkage: KGE is a wholly-owned operating utility of Westar and its ratings are the same, reflecting highly centralized operations with shared employees, treasury and corporate functions, and a consolidated capital structure for rate-making purposes. Business is also conducted under the Westar names in contiguous geographies and WR's revolving credit facilities are collateralized by KG&E's first mortgage bonds, which include cross default provisions.

KEY ASSUMPTIONS

Fitch's key assumptions within our rating case for the issuer include:

- Compound annual kwh sales growth of 0.50%;
- Rate increase of \$78 million effective October 2015 and with incremental rate increase of \$15 million effective July 2017;
- Return on equity on FERC-regulated assets of 10.3%;
- Capex of about \$1.100 billion in 2016, \$800 million in 2017, \$750 million in 2018 and \$700 million in 2019; and
- Debt/equity maintained around 53/47;
- Acquisition financing includes \$750 million of mandatory preferred convertible equity (assigned 100% equity credit), \$1.35 billion of hybrids (assigned 100% debt credit), \$2.3 billion of equity and \$4.4 billion of long-term debt as well as assumption of Westar's existing debt.

RATING SENSITIVITIES

Future developments that may, individually or collectively, lead to a positive rating action:

No positive rating action is anticipated in the near term given the pending acquisition and incremental parent leverage.

Future developments that may, individually or collectively, lead to a negative rating action:

Fitch believes that the completion of the acquisition, based on the proposed financing structure as disclosed, would result in a one or two notch downgrade of Westar's ratings. Fitch would consider a one-notch downgrade if GXP presents a firm and credible path to deleveraging to a capital structure consistent with a 'BBB-' rating and/or if regulatory approval of the acquisition results in effective ring-fencing of Westar. On the other hand, Fitch would consider a two-notch downgrade if GXP relies heavily on hybrid issuance to finance the acquisition, follows an aggressive financial policy, and/or there is limited regulatory ring-fencing of Westar post-merger.

FULL LIST OF RATING ACTIONS

Fitch has placed the following ratings on Rating Watch Negative:

Westar

- Long-Term IDR 'BBB+';
- Senior secured debt 'A';
- Senior unsecured debt 'A-';
- Short-Term IDR 'F2';
- Commercial paper 'F2'.

KGE

- Long-Term IDR 'BBB+';

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--Senior secured debt 'A';
--Pollution control revenue bonds 'A';
--Short-Term IDR 'F2'.

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EXHIBIT JAK-15

Rate Formula Template
Utilizing FERC Form 1 Data
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For the 12 months ended - December 31, 2014
KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY. (KCP&L)
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Actual Gross Rev
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Line No.	(1) RATE BASE:	(2) Form No. 1 Page, Line, Col.	(3) KCP&L	(4) KCP&L Total	(5) Allocator	(6) Transmission (Col 4 times Col 6)
1	PLANT IN SERVICE					
2	Production	(Wksht. A-11, p.1, Line 1 & 2)	\$ 5,422,506,880	\$ 5,422,506,880	DA	\$ 439,344,909
3	Transmission	(Wksht. A-11, p.1, Line 3)	439,344,909	439,344,909		83,330,313
4	Less: Excluded Plant	(Wksht. A-4, p.1, Line 30 Note I & K)				
5	Distribution	(Wksht. A-11, p.1, Line 4)	2,036,145,897	2,036,145,897	W/S	5,354,563
6	General	(Wksht. A-11, p.1, Line 5)	346,837,997	346,837,997	W/S	4,017,361
7	Intangible & Other	(Wksht. A-11, p.1, Line 6)	260,221,724	260,221,724		
	TOTAL GROSS PLANT	(sum line 1, 2, 4, 5 & 6 less line 3)	\$ 8,505,057,407	\$ 8,505,057,407		\$ 365,386,520
8	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	(Note Q)				
9	Production	(Wksht. A-11, p.1, Line 8 & 9)	\$ 2,382,743,114	\$ 2,382,743,114	DA	\$ 183,930,421
10	Transmission	(Wksht. A-11, p.1, Line 10)	183,930,421	183,930,421		31,072,268
11	Less: Excluded Plant	(Wksht. A-4, p.1, Line 30 Note I & K)				
12	Distribution	(Wksht. A-11, p.1, Line 11)	753,880,376	753,880,376	W/S	1,454,684
13	General	(Wksht. A-11, p.1, Line 12)	94,226,089	94,226,089	W/S	2,841,117
14	Intangible & Other	(Wksht. A-11, p.1, Line 13)	184,031,355	184,031,355		
	TOTAL ACCUM. DEPRECIATION	(sum lines 8,9,11,12&13 less 10)	\$ 3,598,811,355	\$ 3,598,811,355		\$ 157,153,954
15	NET PLANT IN SERVICE					
16	Production	(line 1- line 8)	\$ 3,039,763,766	\$ 3,039,763,766		\$ 255,414,488
17	Transmission	(line 2- line 9)	255,414,488	255,414,488		52,258,045
18	Less: Excluded Plant	(line 3- line 10)	-	-		
19	Distribution	(line 4- line 11)	1,282,265,521	1,282,265,521		3,899,879
20	General	(line 5- line 12)	252,611,908	252,611,908		1,176,244
21	Intangible & Other	(line 6- line 13)	76,190,369	76,190,369		
	TOTAL NET PLANT	(sum lines 15,16,18,19 & 20 less 17)	\$ 4,906,246,052	\$ 4,906,246,052		\$ 208,232,566
22	ADJUSTMENTS TO RATE BASE					
23	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes	(Wksht. A-3, p.1, Line 9)	\$ (44,061,334)	\$ (44,061,334)	DA	(44,061,334)
24	Reserve Funds (Non-Escrowed)	(Wksht. A-11, p.2, Line 23g)	(46,483)	(46,483)	DA	(46,483)
25	Unamortized Abandoned Transmission Plant	(Wksht. A-11, p.2, Line 25, Note S)	-	-	DA	-
26	CWIP for Incentive Transmission Projects	(Wksht. A-9, p.1, Line 28, Note T)	-	-	DA	-
27	CWIP Regulatory Liability for Transmission Projects	(Wksht. A-11, p.2, Line 28, Note T)	-	-	DA	-
	TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	(sum lines 22 thru line 26)	\$ (44,107,817)	\$ (44,107,817)		\$ (44,107,817)
28	LAND HELD FOR FUTURE USE	(Wksht. A-11, p.2, lines 31 Note B)	\$ -	\$ -	DA	\$ -
29	WORKING CAPITAL					
30	CWC	calculated (Note C)				
31	Materials & Supplies	(Wksht. A-11, p.1, Line 34 & 37)	\$ 991,444	\$ 991,444	TP	\$ 1,324,775
32	Stores Expense	(Wksht. A-11, p.2, Line 41)	8,177,112	8,177,112	W/S	803,397
33	Prepayments (Account 165)	(Wksht. A-11, p.2, Line 43)	12,892,479	12,892,479	W/S	126,240
	TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL	(sum line 29 thru line 32)	\$ 22,061,035	\$ 22,061,035		\$ 199,037
34	Rate Base	(sum lines 21, 27, 28 & 33)				\$ 2,453,449
						\$ 166,578,198

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		Form No. 1 Page, Line, Col.	KCP&L	KCP&L Total		Allocator	Transmission (Col 4 times Col 6)
O&M							
1	Transmission	321.112.b		63,740,698			
2	Less Account 561	321.84.b thru 321.92.b	\$ 63,740,698	\$			\$ 5,633,158
3	Less Account 565	(Note D)	7,252,539	7,252,539			2,224,919
3a	Less: Transmission Leases & Facility Charges	321.96.b	47,170,314	47,170,314			90,048
4	Total Transmission O&M	(321. Notes)	2,366,166	2,366,166			132,747
5	A&G - Adjusted	(line 1 less lines 2 thru 3a) (Note F)	\$	6,951,679		TP	\$
5a	Less: Actual PBOP	(Wkshs. A-10, line 8)	144,117,559	144,117,559		W/S	2,224,919
5b	Plus: PBOP (Projected 2010 see Note R)	(Wkshs. A-10, line 9)	5,832,775	5,832,775		W/S	90,048
5c	Plus: Safety Advertising	(Wkshs. A-10, line 10)	8,598,615	8,598,615		W/S	132,747
5d	Plus: Advertising - Transmission	(Wkshs. A-10, line 11)	-	-		W/S	-
5e	Plus: Research - Transmission	(Wkshs. A-10, line 16)	-	-		DA	-
5f	Plus: Regulatory Exp - Transmission	(Wkshs. A-10, line 21)	261,088	261,088		DA	261,088
5h	Plus: Corporate Visibility - Transmission	(Wkshs. A-10, line 26)	68,479	68,479		DA	68,479
6	Transmission Lease Payments & Facility Charges	(Wkshs. A-10, line 32)	109,669	109,669		W/S	1,693
7	TOTAL O&M	(321. Notes) (sum lines 4, 5, 5b thru 6 less 5a)	2,366,166	2,366,166		DA	2,366,166
			\$	156,640,480			\$ 10,598,202
DEPRECIATION EXPENSE							
8	Transmission	(Note Q)				TP	
9	General	(336.7.f)	\$ 7,799,464	\$ 7,799,464		W/S	\$ 6,320,144
10	Intangible & Other	(336.10.b,c & d)	13,066,019	13,066,019		W/S	201,716
11	Amortization of Abandoned Transmission Plant	336.1f	19,259,815	19,259,815		W/S	297,337
12	TOTAL DEPRECIATION	Acct. 407 (Note S) (sum line 8 thru line 11)	-	-		DA	-
			\$	40,125,298			\$ 6,819,197
TAXES OTHER THAN INCOME TAXES							
LABOR RELATED							
13	Payroll	(Note G)					
14	Highway and vehicle	(Wkshtr A-6, line 10)	\$	11,885,334		W/S	\$ 183,488
		(Wkshtr A-6, line 10)	-	-		W/S	-
PLANT RELATED							
15	Property	(Wkshtr A-6, line 10, Note M)				GP	
16	Gross Receipts	(Wkshtr A-6, line 10)	86,795,166	86,795,166		NA	3,728,815
17	Other	(Wkshtr A-6, line 10)	60,407,260	60,407,260		GP	-
18	TOTAL OTHER TAXES	(sum line 13 thru line 17)	-	-			-
			\$	159,087,760			\$ 3,912,303
INCOME TAXES							
19	T=1 - [(1 - SIT) * (1 - FIT)] / (1 - SIT * FIT * p)	(Note H)					
20	EIT=(T/(1-T)) * (1-WCLTD/WACC)) =						
21	GRCF = 1 / (1 - T)						
22	Amortized Investment Tax Credit	(GRCF = 1 / (1-T from Line 19)) (266.8f) (enter negative)	\$ (962,914)	\$ (962,914)			
23	Income Tax Calculation	(Line 20*(Line 34 of Page 1)*(Line 21 of Page 4) + Line 26 of Page 4)					
24	ITC adjustment	(line 21 X line 22)				NP =	\$ 5,876,952
25	Total Income Taxes	(line 23 plus line 24)		(1,573,815)			\$ (66,796)
							\$ 5,810,156
26	RETURN	(Line 34 of Page 1)*(Line 21 of Page 4) + (Line 25 - Line 26) of Page 4)					\$ 13,927,213
27	GROSS REV. REQUIREMENT WITH INCENTIVES	(sum line 7, 12, 18, 25 & 26)					\$ 41,067,071
28	LESS: Gross Revenue Requirements for Incentives	(line 35 of page 4)					-
29	GROSS REV. REQUIREMENT	(line 27 less line 28)					\$ 41,067,071

Rate Formula Template
Utilizing FERC Form 1 Data
Actual Gross Revenue Requirements
For the 12 months ended - December 31, 2014

KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY. (KCP&L)
(KCP&L)

Actual Gross Rev
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Line No.	(1)	(2)	SUPPORTING CALCULATIONS				(6)	(7)
			Form No. 1 Page, Line, Col.	(3)	(4)	(5)		
TRANSMISSION PLANT INCLUDED IN FORMULA								
1	Total transmission plant	(Line 7 of Page 3)						
2	Less: Net Substation, 34kV, & Radial Lines to Distr. Pli	(Wksht A-4, In 28) (Note I)	\$	439,344,909	\$	439,344,909		\$ 439,344,909
3	Less: Total GSU in Transmission Plant	(Wksht. A-4, In 7) (Note K)		80,426,041		80,426,041		80,426,041
4	Transmission plant included in rates			2,904,272		2,904,272		2,904,272
5	Percentage of transmission plant included in rates	(line 1 less lines 2 & 3) (line 4 / line 1)	\$	356,014,596	\$	356,014,596	TP=	\$ 356,014,596
GROSS AND NET PLANT ALLOCATORS								
GROSS PLANT IN SERVICE (ACTUAL HISTORICAL COST)								
6	Production	(page 1, line 1)					NA	
7	Transmission	(page 1, line 2)	\$	5,422,506,880	\$	5,422,506,880	DA	\$ 439,344,909
8	Less: Excluded Plant	(page 1, line 3)		439,344,909		439,344,909		83,330,313
9	Distribution	(page 1, line 4)		2,036,145,897		2,036,145,897		
10	General & Intangible	(page 1, line 5 & 6)		607,059,721		607,059,721	W/S	9,371,925
11	TOTAL GROSS PLANT	(sum Line 6, 7, 9 & 10 less Line 8)	\$	8,505,057,407	\$	8,505,057,407	GP :	\$ 365,386,521
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION (ACTUAL HISTORICAL COST)								
12	Production	(page 1, line 8)					NA	
13	Transmission	(page 1, line 9)	\$	2,382,743,114	\$	2,382,743,114	DA	\$ 183,930,421
14	Less: Excluded Plant	(page 1, line 10)		183,930,421		183,930,421		31,072,268
15	Distribution	(page 1, line 11)		753,880,376		753,880,376		
16	General & Intangible	(page 1, line 12 & 13)		278,257,444		278,257,444	W/S	4,295,801
17	TOTAL ACCUM. DEPRECIATION	(sum Line 12, 13, 15 & 16 less Line 14)	\$	3,598,811,355	\$	3,598,811,355		\$ 157,153,954
NET PLANT IN SERVICE (ACTUAL HISTORICAL COST)								
18	Production	(line 6 less 12)						
19	Transmission	(line 7 less 13)	\$	3,039,763,766	\$	3,039,763,766		\$ 255,414,488
20	Less Excluded Plant	(line 8 less 14)		255,414,488		255,414,488		52,258,045
21	Distribution	(line 9 less 15)		-		-		
22	General & Intangible	(line 10 less 16)		1,282,265,521		1,282,265,521		
23	TOTAL NET PLANT	(sum Line 18, 19, 21 & 22 less Line 20)	\$	328,802,277	\$	328,802,277	NP =	\$ 208,232,567

SUPPORTING CALCULATIONS									
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)		
Line No.		Form No. 1 Page, Line, Col.	KCP&L	KCP&L Total		Allocator	Transmission (Col 4 times Col 6)		
WAGES & SALARY ALLOCATOR (W&S)									
1	Production	354.20.b	\$ 106,399,954	\$ 106,399,954	TP	Allocation			
2	Transmission	354.21.b	2,698,711	2,698,711	0.81033	2,186,848			
3	Distribution	354.23.b	21,896,614	21,896,614		-	W&S Allocator (\$ / Allocation)		
4	Other	354.24,25,26.b	10,656,235	10,656,235		-			
5	Total	(sum line 1 thru line 4)	\$ 141,651,514	\$ 141,651,514		2,186,848			
5a	Wage & Salary Allocator Calculation	(Col 6, Line 5 divided by Col 4, Line 5)				WS=	0.01544		
RETURN (R)									
6	Interest on Long-Term Debt	(Note N)							
7	Amort. of Debt Disc. and Expense	256 & 257 notes	\$ 195,018,926	\$ 195,018,926			\$ 195,018,926		
8	Amortization of Loss on Reacquired Debt	256 & 257 notes	3,180,128	3,180,128			3,180,128		
9	Less: Amort. of Premium on Debt-Credit	256 & 257 notes	413,492	413,492			413,492		
10	Less: Amort. of Gain on Reacquired Debt-Credit	256 & 257 notes	637,163	637,163			637,163		
11	Long Term Interest	(sum line 6 to 8, less 9 & 10)	\$ 197,975,383	\$ 197,975,383			\$ 197,975,383		
12	Preferred Dividends	256 & 257 notes	\$ 1,646,000	\$ 1,646,000			\$ 1,646,000		
Development of Common Stock:									
13	Proprietary Capital	(Note N)							
14	Less Preferred Stock	256 & 257 notes	\$ 3,546,148,471	\$ 3,546,148,471			\$ 3,546,148,471		
15	Less Noncontrolling Interest	256 & 257 notes (Note O)	39,000,000	39,000,000			39,000,000		
16	Less OCI Account 219	256 & 257 notes	0	-			-		
17	Common Stock	(line 13 Less 14, 15 & 16)	(20,545,551)	(20,545,551)			(20,545,551)		
			\$ 3,527,694,022	\$ 3,527,694,022		Cost (Note P)	\$ 3,527,694,022		
18	Long Term Debt	256 & 257 notes	\$ 3,504,373,924	\$ 3,504,373,924	49.56%	0.0565	Weighted		
19	Preferred Stock	256 & 257 notes	39,000,000	39,000,000	0.55%	0.0422	WCLTD=		
20	Common Stock	256 & 257 notes	3,527,694,022	3,527,694,022	49.89%	0.1110	0.0002		
21	Total	(sum line 18 thru line 20)	\$ 7,071,067,946	\$ 7,071,067,946	100.00%		0.0554		
						\$ -	R=		
							0.083608		
GROSS REV. REQUIREMENT FOR INCENTIVE PROJECTS									
Plant Granted Incentive ROE Adder:									
22	Total Incentive Plant	(Wksht A-9, line 22)	\$ -	\$ -					
23	Less: Total Accumulated Depreciation	(Wksht A-9, line 22)	-	-					
24	Net Incentive Plant	(line 22 less line 23)	\$ -	\$ -					
25	Incentive Return Including Taxes	(Wksht A-9, p. 1, line 28)							
26	Taxes Included in Incentive Return	(line 25 *(page 2, line 19)	\$ -	\$ -					
Construction Work In Progress:									
27	Total CWIP	(Wksht A-9, p. 1, line 28	\$ -	\$ -					
28	Incentive Return Including Taxes	(Wksht A-9, p. 1, line 28)				\$ -			
Abandoned Plant:									
30	Unamortized Abandoned Transmission Plant	(line 24 of page 2)	\$ -						
31	Tax-Adjusted Return on Abandoned Plant	(line 21 X line 31 X (1 +EIT)		\$ -					
32	Amortization Expense for Abandoned Plant	(Line 11 of page 2)							
33	Total Recovery for Abandoned Plant	(sum line 32 thru line 33)							
34	TOTAL GROSS REV. REQ. FOR INCENTIVE PROJ.	(sum line 25 , 29 & 34)				\$ -			
35							\$ -		

General Note: References to pages in this formula rate are indicated as: (page#, line#, col #).
References to data from FERC Form 1 are indicated as: page#.line#.col

Note
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- A** Reserved for future use.
- B** Includes only Transmission plant.
- C** Cash Working Capital assigned to transmission is one-eighth of O&M allocated to transmission at page 2, line 7, col. 7.
Prepayments are the electric related prepayments booked to Account No. 165 and reported on FERC Form 1, p. 111, in. 57.c.
- D** Expenses recorded in Account 565, Transmission of Electricity by Others, are not recoverable through the formula rate.
- E** Lease and joint facilities charges included on line 6, page 2 of 5, are those costs attributable to transmission facilities.
- F** Transmission O&M on this line does not include any SPP charges for Schedule 1-A of the SPP OATT.
- G** Includes only FICA, unemployment, highway, property, gross receipts, and other assessments charged in the current year.
Taxes related to income are excluded. Gross receipts taxes are not included in transmission revenue requirement in the Rate Formula Template.
- H** The currently effective income tax rate, where FIT is the Federal income tax rate, and p = "percentage of federal income tax deductible for state income tax purposes". Furthermore, a utility that elected to utilize amortization of tax credits against taxable income rather than book tax credits to Account 255 and reduce rate base, must reduce its income tax expense by the amount of the Amortized Investment Tax Credit (Form 1, 266.8.f) multiplied by (1/1-T) (page 2, line 21). When FIT or SIT statutory tax rate changes take effect on other than a calendar year basis, the statutory rates to be used in the formula rate template shall be weighted averages for the calendar year determined by weighting the statutory tax rates by the number days each such tax rate was in effect during the calendar year for which the costs are being determined. KCMO Earnings Tax is not included in the calculation of the Composite State Income Tax Rate.

Inputs Required:

FIT =	35.00%	Federal Income Tax Rate
SIT=	6.58%	Composite State Income Tax Rate or Composite SIT
p =	32.80%	Percentage of federal income tax deductible for state income tax purposes
The Composite State Income Tax Rate reflects the effective rate for each tax jurisdiction, as well as the Composite Portion of FIT Deduction in State Returns:		
	Apportionment Factor	Rate
Missouri	65.60%	6.25%
Kansas	35.47%	7.00%
KS City	0.00%	1.00%
	Effective Rate	% of FIT
	4.1001%	50.00%
	2.4829%	0.00%
	0.0000%	0.00%
	0.0000%	0.0000%
	Composite State Income Tax Rate	6.5830%
	Composite Portion of FIT Deduction for State Returns	32.8005%

I Removes transmission plant determined by Commission order to be excluded from RTO transmission rate base under Docket No. EL08-89-000 (to the extent FERC Form 1 balances are not adjusted).

J Unless otherwise specified, OATT refers to the KCP&L and SPP OATTs.

K Removes generator step-up facilities determined by Commission order to be excluded from RTO transmission rate base under Docket No. EL08-89-000 (to the extent FERC Form 1 balances are not adjusted).

L Reserved for future use.

M If the transmission related component of property tax is specifically identified in Form 1, then a TP allocator shall be used. Property tax shall be allocated to transmission by the GP allocator if transmission related property tax is not specifically identified in the Form 1.

N Beginning in 2009, included in page 256 notes of the FERC Form 1, the long term interest expense and preferred dividends and a 13-month average balance for long-term debt, preferred stock and common equity of Great Plains Energy will be provided. This information will be the reference for the capital structure and weighted cost of long term debt and preferred stock.

O The Noncontrolling Interest represents a third party's 50% investment in one of GPE's consolidated subsidiaries reported on the consolidated balance sheet's equity section separate from the parent's equity, as required by generally accepted accounting principles effective January 1, 2009.

P The approved ROE is 11.1%. No change in ROE may be made absent a filing with FERC. Any incentive ROEs approved by the Commission are shown by project in Worksheet A-9.

Q The current depreciation rates used to calculate depreciation expense and accumulated depreciation balances are shown in worksheet A-5.

R The Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions (PBOP) expense projected for FY 2010 set forth below will be used in lieu of the actual PBOP in 2009 and subsequent years absent a filing with FERC that alters the amount.

S Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions \$8,598,615

T The Unamortized Abandoned Transmission Plant can only be included in rate base if authorized by the Commission.

U CWIP balances only included as authorized by the Commission. Regulatory liability offsets AFUDC accrual where CWIP is not included in state-regulated rate base.

Reserved for future use.

Line No.	Allocators	ALLOCATION FACTORS		Location of Calculation or First Use of Allocator
		Description		

1	TP	Percentage of transmission plant included in rate base.		Page 3, line 5, col 6
2	WS	Percentage of transmission labor included in rates		Page 4, line 5a, col 7
3	DA	Direct assignment		First used on page 1, line 2, col 6
4	GP	Ratio of allocated transmission, general, & intangible plant to total gross plant.		Page 3, line 11, col 6
5	NA	Not applicable for the transmission formula rate.		First used on page 2, line 16, col 6
6	NP	Ratio of net transmission, general, & intangible plant to total net plant.		Page 3, line 23, col 6

EXHIBIT JAK-16

Rate Formula Template
Utilizing FERC Form 1 Data
Actual Gross Revenue Requirements
For the 12 months ended - December 31, 2015
WESTAR ENERGY, INC. (Westar Energy and Kansas Gas and Electric)
(WESTAR)

Line No.	(1) RATE BASE:	(2) Form No. 1 Page, Line, Col.	(3) Westar Energy, Inc. (WEN)	(4) Kansas Gas and Electric Company (WES)	(5) Company Total	(6) Allocator	(7) Transmission (Col 5 lines Col 6)
1	PLANT IN SERVICE						
2	205.46.g		\$ 3,221,663,445	\$ 3,498,015,228	\$ 6,719,678,673	TP	\$ -
3	207.56.g		1,101,136,422	894,268,612	1,995,405,034		0.99963
4	207.75.g		1,221,729,687	978,018,197	2,199,747,884		-
4a	207.99.g		202,161,676	111,053,753	313,215,429	W/S	13,810,710
5	205.5g		85,598,394	29,670,762	115,269,156	W/S	5,082,600
6	356.1					W/S	0.04409
6	(sum lines 1-5)		\$ 5,832,289,624	\$ 5,511,026,552	\$ 11,343,316,176		\$ 2,013,564,389
7	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION						
8	219.20-24.c	(Note O)	\$ 1,034,150,934	\$ 1,216,729,530	\$ 2,250,880,464		\$ -
9	219.25c		288,717,157	238,620,354	527,337,511	TP	\$ 527,143,544
10	219.28.c		384,446,910	307,998,327	692,445,237		-
10a	General		98,313,506	65,308,633	163,622,139	W/S	7,214,644
11	Workpaper		30,885,972	17,672,370	48,558,342	W/S	2,141,099
12	356.1					W/S	0.04409
12	(sum lines 7-11)		\$ 1,836,514,479	\$ 1,846,329,214	\$ 3,682,843,693		\$ 536,499,287
13	NET PLANT IN SERVICE						
14	(line 1 less line 7)		\$ 2,187,512,511	\$ 2,281,285,698	\$ 4,468,798,209		\$ -
15	(line 2 less line 8)		812,419,265	655,648,258	1,468,067,523		1,467,527,534
16	(line 3 less line 9)		837,282,777	670,019,870	1,507,302,647		-
16a	(line 4 less line 10)		103,848,170	45,745,120	149,593,290		6,596,066
17	(line 4a less line 10a)		54,712,422	11,998,392	66,710,814		2,941,502
18	(line 5 less line 11)						-
18	(sum lines 13-17)		\$ 3,995,775,145	\$ 3,664,697,338	\$ 7,660,472,483		\$ 1,477,065,102
19	ADJUSTMENTS TO RATE BASE						
19a	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes	(Wkshs. A-5 & A-7, p. 1, Subtotal, Tc	\$ (172,468,643)	\$ (120,515,692)	\$ (292,984,335)	DA	\$ 1,00000
19b	Unamortized Extraordinary Property Loss	Account 182.1 (Note S)				TE	0.89832
20	Transmission Storm Damage Reserve	Account 228.1 (Note S)	911,784	663,555	1,575,338	TE	1,415,161
20	TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	(line 19 + line 19a - line 19b)	\$ (173,360,426)	\$ (121,179,247)	\$ (294,559,673)		\$ (294,399,495)
21	LAND HELD FOR FUTURE USE	214.x.d (Note B)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	TP	\$ -
22	WORKING CAPITAL						
23	CWC						
23a	Materials & Supplies	calculated (Note C)					\$ 3,258,872
24	Stores Expense	227.8.c (Note B)	\$ 18,835,923	\$ 11,035,772	29,871,695	TP	29,860,708
24	Prepayments (Account 165)	227.16.c (Note B)	361,143	473,679	834,822	W/S	36,810
25	TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL	111.57.c (Note C)	\$ 11,055,534	\$ 5,622,081	\$ 16,677,615	GP	0.17751
25	(sum lines 23 - 24)		\$ 30,262,600	\$ 17,131,532	\$ 47,394,132		\$ 2,960,462
26	Rate Base	(sum lines 18, 20, 21, & 25)					\$ 36,116,851
26							\$ 1,218,782,458

Line No.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
		Form No. 1 Page, Line, Col.	Wester Energy, Inc (WEN)	Kansas Gas and Electric Company (WES)	Company Total	Allocator	Transmission (Col 5 times Col 6)
	O&M						
1	Transmission (Note D)	(Worksheet A-4 & Worksheet A-6)	\$ 14,509,545	\$ 10,819,923	\$ 25,329,469		1.00000
2	Less Account 561	321.84.b thru 321.92.b	2,002,204	564,882	2,567,086		1.00000
2a	Less Account 565 (Note E)	321.96.b	3,549,713	3,531,068	7,080,781		1.00000
3	A&G	323.197.b	113,539,063	106,387,179	219,926,242	W/S	9,697,279
3a	Less: Actual PROP	(Note R)	724,217	437,691	1,161,908	W/S	0.04409
4	Plus: PROP adder	(Note R)	9,697,558	6,642,051	16,339,609	W/S	0.04409
5	Less PERC Annual Fees	Included as part of line 6b	-	-	-	W/S	0.04409
6	Less EPRI	335 (Note F)	50,000	710,040	760,040	W/S	33.513
6a	Less Total Advertising Costs	323.191(b) (Note F)	1,598,849	36,753	1,635,602	W/S	0.04409
6b	Less Total Regulatory Commission Expenses	323.198(b) (Note F)	2,267,221	1,357,629	3,624,850	W/S	159,832
7	Plus Transmission Related Reg. Comm. Exp.	351.h (Note F)	288,500	32,458	320,958	TE	288,324
8	Plus Safety Advertising	(Note F)	-	-	-	W/S	0.04409
9	Common	356.1	-	-	-	CE	0.04409
10	Transmission Lease Payments	-	-	-	-		1.00000
11	TOTAL O&M	(sum lines 1, 3, 4, 7-10 less lines 2, 5, 6)	127,842,462	117,243,548	245,086,011		\$ 26,070,976
	DEPRECIATION EXPENSE						
12	Transmission	336.7.f or Worksheet A-8	\$ 29,365,620	\$ 22,031,920	\$ 51,397,540	TP	0.99963
13	General	338.10.f	7,346,766	4,608,233	11,954,999	W/S	0.04409
13a	Intangible	336.11	11,590,770	2,336,768	13,929,538	W/S	614,200
14	Common	336.11.b	-	-	-	CE	0.04409
14a	Amortization of Property Loss	Acct. 407-Unrecovered Plant and Regulatory Study Costs (Note S)	-	-	-	TE	0.89832
15	TOTAL DEPRECIATION	(Sum lines 12-14a)	\$ 48,303,156	\$ 28,978,921	\$ 77,282,077		\$ 52,519,970
	TAXES OTHER THAN INCOME TAXES (Note G)						
	LABOR RELATED						
16	Payroll	263.i	\$ 11,969,570	\$ 2,472,183	\$ 14,441,753	W/S	0.04409
17	Highway and vehicle	263.i	-	-	-	W/S	0.04409
	PLANT RELATED						
18	Property (Note P)	263.i	97,701,225	43,072,576	140,773,801	GP	0.17751
19	Gross Receipts	263.i	-	-	-	NA	0.00000
20	Other	263.i	20,265	265	20,530	GP	0.17751
21	Payments in lieu of taxes	-	-	-	-	GP	0.17751
22	TOTAL OTHER TAXES	(sum lines 16 - 22)	\$ 109,691,060	\$ 45,545,024	\$ 155,236,084		\$ 25,629,340
	INCOME TAXES	(Note H)					
23	T=1 - [(1 - SIT) * (1 - FIT)] / (1 - SIT * FIT * p) =						
24	CIT=(T/(1-T)) * (1-(WCLD/DR)) =						
	where WCLTD=(page 5, line 21) and R= (page 5, line 24)						
	and FIT, SIT & p are as given in Note H,						
25	1/(1 - T) = (from line 23)						
26	Amortized Investment Tax Credit (266.8f) (enter negative)		\$ (1,240,527)	\$ (1,638,853)	\$ 1,654,260 (2,879,380)	NA NP	0.19282
27	Income Tax Calculation = line 24 * line 30						
28	ITC adjustment	(line 25 * line 26)		\$	\$ (4,763,242)		
29	Total Income Taxes	(line 27 plus line 28)				NA	\$ 96,795,484
30	RETURN						
	[Rate Base (page 2, line 16) * Rate of Return (page 4, line 24) plus Incentive Return (page 4, line 28)]						
31	Interest on Network Credits					DA	\$ 1.00000
32	GROSS REV. REQUIREMENT	(sum lines 11,15, 22, 29, 30 & 31)		\$	\$ 477,604,172		\$ 244,080,494

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WESTAR ENERGY, INC. (Westar Energy and Kansas Gas and Electric)
(WESTAR)

Line No.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
		Form No. 1 Page, Line, Col.	Westar Energy, Inc (WEN)	Kansas Gas and Electric Company (WES)	Company Total	Allocator	Transmission (Col 5 times Col 6)
TRANSMISSION PLANT INCLUDED IN FORMULA							
1	Total transmission plant	(page 3, Line 13, col. 5)	\$ 1,101,136,422	\$ 894,268,612	\$ 1,995,405,034		\$ 1,995,405,034
2	Less transmission plant excluded from ISO rates (Note I)		667,180	66,775	733,955		733,955
3	Less transmission plant included in OATT Anc. Srv (Notes J&K)				-		-
4	Transmission plant included in rates	(line 1 less lines 2 & 3)	\$ 1,100,469,242	\$ 894,201,837	\$ 1,994,671,079		\$ 1,994,671,079
5	Percentage of transmission plant included in rates	(line 4 divided by line 1)				TP=	0.99963
TRANSMISSION EXPENSES							
6	Transmission expenses	(Page 2, line 1, col. 7)					\$ 25,329,469
7	Less transmission other expenses included in Anc. (Note L)	(Page 2, line 2, col 7)					2,567,086
8	Included transmission expenses (line 6 less line 7)						\$ 22,762,383
9	Percentage of transmission expenses after adjustment (line 8 divided by line 6)					TP=	0.89865
10	Percentage of transmission plant included in ISO Rates (line 5)					TE=	0.99963
11	Percentage of transmission expenses included in rates (line 9 times line 10)						0.89832
GROSS AND NET PLANT ALLOCATORS							
GROSS PLANT IN SERVICE (ACTUAL HISTORICAL COST)							
12	Production	(page 1, line 1)	\$ 3,221,663,445	\$ 3,498,015,228	\$ 6,719,678,673	NA	
13	Transmission	(page 1, line 2)	1,101,136,422	894,268,612	1,995,405,034	TP	\$ 1,994,671,079
14	Distribution	(page 1, line 3)	1,221,729,687	978,018,197	2,199,747,884	NA	
15	General & Intangible	(page 1, line 4)	287,760,070	140,724,515	428,484,585	W/S	\$ 18,893,310
16	Common	(page 1, line 5)	-	-	-	CE	0.04409
17	TOTAL GROSS PLANT	(sum lines 12-16)	\$ 5,832,289,624	\$ 5,511,026,552	\$ 11,343,316,176	GP =	17.751%
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION (ACTUAL HISTORICAL COST) (Note Q)							
18	Production	(page 1, line 7)	\$ 1,034,150,934	\$ 1,216,729,530	\$ 2,250,880,464	NA	
19	Transmission	(page 1, line 8)	288,717,157	238,620,354	527,337,511	TP	\$ 527,143,544
20	Distribution	(page 1, line 9)	384,446,910	307,998,327	692,445,237	NA	
21	General & Intangible	(page 1, line 10)	129,199,478	82,981,003	212,180,481	W/S	\$ 9,355,743
22	Common	(page 1, line 11)	-	-	-	CE	0.04409
23	TOTAL ACCUM. DEPRECIATION	(sum lines 12-16)	\$ 1,836,514,479	\$ 1,846,329,214	\$ 3,682,843,693		\$ 536,499,287
NET PLANT IN SERVICE (ACTUAL HISTORICAL COST)							
24	Production	(line 12 less line 18)	\$ 2,187,512,511	\$ 2,281,285,698	\$ 4,468,798,209		
25	Transmission	(line 13 less line 19)	812,419,265	655,648,258	1,468,067,523		\$ 1,467,527,534
26	Distribution	(line 14 less line 20)	837,282,777	670,019,870	1,507,302,647		
27	General & Intangible	(line 15 less line 21)	158,560,592	57,743,512	216,304,104		\$ 9,537,567
28	Common	(line 16 less line 22)	-	-	-		-
29	TOTAL NET PLANT	(sum lines 24-28)	\$ 3,995,775,145	\$ 3,664,697,338	\$ 7,660,472,483	NP =	\$ 1,477,065,102

Line No.	(1)	(2) Form No. 1 Page, Line, Col.	(3) (4) (5)			Allocation	(6)	(7)
			Westar Energy, Inc (WEN)	Kansas Gas and Electric Company (WES)	Company Total			
WAGES & SALARY ALLOCATOR (W&S)								
1	Production (Worksheet A-10)		\$ 34,526,485	\$ 70,956,951	\$ 105,483,436	TP	0	
2	Transmission (Worksheet A-10)		3,891,218	3,033,584	6,924,802		6,922,255	
3	Distribution (Worksheet A-10)		14,735,660	12,139,412	26,875,072		0	
4	Other (Worksheet A-10)		10,189,140	7,518,543	17,707,683		0	
5	Total (sum lines 1-4)		\$ 63,342,503	\$ 93,648,490	\$ 156,990,993		6,922,255	WS
COMMON PLANT ALLOCATOR (CE) (Note M)								
6	Electric 200.3.c		\$ 5,422,661,578	\$ 4,233,861,857	\$ 9,656,523,435	% Electric (line 17 / line 20)	1.00000	CE
7	Gas 200.3.d		-	-	-			0.04409 = 0.04409
8	Water 200.3.e		-	-	-			
9	Total (sum lines 6 - 8)		\$ 5,422,661,578	\$ 4,233,861,857	\$ 9,656,523,435			\$
RETURN (R)								
10	Interest on Long-Term Debt 117.62.c		\$ 101,751,759	\$ 54,418,904	\$ 156,170,663			
11	Amort. of Debt Disc. and Expense 117.63.c		3,677,779	689,274	4,367,053			
12	Amortization of Loss on Reacquired Debt 117.64.c		4,251,665	878,798	5,130,463			
13	Less: Amort. of Premium on Debt-Credit 117.65.c		-	-	-			
14	Less: Amort. of Gain on Reacquired Debt-Credit 117.66.c		-	-	-			
15	Long Term Interest (sum of lines 10 - 12 less 13 and 14)		\$ 109,681,203	\$ 55,986,976	\$ 165,668,179			\$ 165,668,179
16	Preferred Dividends (118.29c) (positive number)		-	-	-			\$ -
Development of Common Stock:								
17	Proprietary Capital (112.16.c)(WEN F)		\$ 3,656,721,445		\$ 3,656,721,445			\$ 3,656,721,445
18	Less Preferred Stock (line 28)		-	-	-			-
19	Less Account 216.1 (112.12.c) (Note N)		-	-	-			-
20	Common Stock (sum of lines 17 - 19)		\$ 2,230,500,000	\$ 971,440,000	\$ 3,201,940,000	Cost (Note O)	0.0517	
21	Long Term Debt (112, sum of 18.c., 19c and 21.c)		-	-	-	%	46.68%	=WCLTD
22	Preferred Stock (112.3.c)(WEN Only)		-	-	-		0.00%	0.0000
23	Common Stock (line 26)(WEN Only)		3,656,721,445	-	3,656,721,445		53.32%	0.0549
24	Total (sum lines 21-23)		\$ 3,656,721,445	\$ 971,440,000	\$ 6,856,661,445		100.00%	0.0791 =R
Incentive Return								
25	Total Incentive Plant (Worksheet A-11)			\$ 194,004,544	\$ 194,004,544			
26	Less: Total Accumulated Depreciation (Worksheet A-11)			79,579,334	79,579,334			
27	Net Incentive Plant (line 25 less line 26)			\$ 114,425,210	\$ 114,425,210			
28	Incentive Return (Worksheet A-11)							\$ 427,044

EXHIBIT JAK-17

Rate Formula Template
Utilizing FERC Form 1 Data
Actual Gross Revenue Requirements
For the 12 months ended - December 31, 2015
WESTAR ENERGY, INC. (Westar Energy and Kansas Gas and Electric)
(WESTAR)
Adjusted for Assumption of Debt by Great Plains Energy

Line No.	(1) RATE BASE:	(2) Form No. 1 Page, Line, Col.	(3) Westar Energy, Inc (WEN)	(4) Kansas Gas and Electric Company (WES)	(5) Company Total	(6) Allocator	(7) Transmission (Col 5 lines Col 6)
1	PLANT IN SERVICE						
2	205.46.g		\$ 3,221,663,445	\$ 3,498,015,228	\$ 6,719,678,673	TP	\$ -
3	207.56.g		1,101,136,422	894,268,612	1,995,405,034		0.99963
4	207.75.g		1,221,729,687	978,018,197	2,199,747,884	W/S	-
4a	207.99.g		202,161,676	111,053,753	313,215,429	W/S	13,810,710
5	205.5g		85,598,394	29,670,762	115,269,156	W/S	5,082,600
5	356.1						0.04409
6	(sum lines 1-5)		\$ 5,832,289,624	\$ 5,511,026,552	\$ 11,343,316,176		\$ 2,013,564,389
7	ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION						
8	219.20-24.c	(Note O)	\$ 1,034,150,934	\$ 1,216,729,530	\$ 2,250,880,464	TP	\$ -
9	219.25c		288,717,157	238,620,354	527,337,511		0.99963
10	219.28.c		384,446,910	307,998,327	692,445,237	W/S	-
10a	Workpaper		98,313,506	65,308,633	163,622,139	W/S	7,214,644
11	Intangible		30,885,972	17,672,370	48,558,342	W/S	2,141,099
11	356.1						0.04409
12	(sum lines 7-11)		\$ 1,836,514,479	\$ 1,846,329,214	\$ 3,682,843,693		\$ 536,499,287
13	NET PLANT IN SERVICE						
14	(line 1 less line 7)		\$ 2,187,512,511	\$ 2,281,285,698	\$ 4,468,798,209		\$ -
15	(line 2 less line 8)		812,419,265	655,648,258	1,468,067,523		1,467,527,534
16	(line 3 less line 9)		837,282,777	670,019,870	1,507,302,647		-
16a	(line 4 less line 10)		103,848,170	45,745,120	149,593,290		6,596,066
17	(line 4a less line 10a)		54,712,422	11,998,392	66,710,814		2,941,502
17	(line 5 less line 11)						-
18	(sum lines 13-17)		\$ 3,995,775,145	\$ 3,664,697,338	\$ 7,660,472,483		\$ 1,477,065,102
19	ADJUSTMENTS TO RATE BASE						
19a	Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes	(Wkshits. A-5 & A-7, p. 1, Subtotal, Tc	\$ (172,468,643)	\$ (120,515,692)	\$ (292,984,335)	DA	\$ (292,984,335)
19b	Unamortized Extraordinary Property Loss	Account 182.1 (Note S)				TE	0.89832
20	Transmission Storm Damage Reserve	Account 228.1 (Note S)	911,784	663,555	1,575,338	TE	1,415,161
20	TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	(line 19 + line 19a - line 19b)	\$ (173,360,426)	\$ (121,179,247)	\$ (294,559,673)		\$ (294,399,495)
21	LAND HELD FOR FUTURE USE	214.x.d (Note B)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	TP	\$ -
22	WORKING CAPITAL						
22	CWC	calculated (Note C)					
23	Materials & Supplies	227.8.c (Note B)	\$ 18,835,923	\$ 11,035,772	29,871,695	TP	\$ 3,258,872
23a	Stores Expense	227.16.c (Note B)	361,143	473,679	834,822	W/S	29,860,708
24	Prepayments (Account 165)	111.57.c (Note C)	11,055,534	5,622,081	16,677,615	GP	36,810
25	TOTAL WORKING CAPITAL	(sum lines 23 - 24)	\$ 30,252,600	\$ 17,131,532	\$ 47,384,132		\$ 2,960,462
26	Rate Base	(sum lines 18, 20, 21, & 25)					\$ 36,116,851
							\$ 1,218,782,458

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Rate Formula Template
Utilizing FERC Form 1 Data
Actual Gross Revenue Requirements
For the 12 months ended - December 31, 2015

WESTAR ENERGY, INC. (Westar Energy and Kansas Gas and Electric)

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Line No.		Form No. 1 Page, Line, Col.	Westar Energy, Inc (WEN)	Kansas Gas and Electric Company (WES)	Company Total	Allocator	Transmission (Col 5 times Col 6)
O&M							
1	Transmission (Note D)	(Worksheet A-4 & Worksheet A-6)	\$ 14,509,545	\$ 10,819,923	\$ 25,329,469	1.00000	\$ 25,329,469
2	Less Account 561	321.84.b thru 321.92.b	2,002,204	564,882	2,567,086	1.00000	2,567,086
2a	Less Account 565 (Note E)	321.96.b	3,549,713	3,531,068	7,080,781	1.00000	7,080,781
3	A&G	323.197.b	113,539,063	106,387,179	219,926,242	W/S	9,697,279
3a	Less: Actual PBOP	(Note R)	724,217	437,691	1,161,908	W/S	51,232
4	Plus: PBOP adder	(Note R)	9,697,558	6,642,051	16,339,609	W/S	720,468
5	Less FERC Annual Fees	Included as part of line 6b	-	-	-	W/S	-
6	Less EPRI	335 (Note F)	50,000	710,040	760,040	W/S	33,513
6a	Less Total Advertising Costs	323.191(b) (Note F)	1,598,849	36,753	1,635,602	W/S	72,119
6b	Less Total Regulatory Commission Expenses	323.189(b) (Note F)	2,267,221	1,357,629	3,624,850	W/S	159,832
7	Plus Transmission Related Reg. Comm. Exp.	351.h (Note F)	288,500	32,458	320,958	TE	288,324
8	Plus Safety Advertising	(Note F)	-	-	-	W/S	0.04409
9	Common	356.1	-	-	-	CE	0.04409
10	Transmission Lease Payments	(sum lines 1, 3, 4, 7-10 less lines 2, 4)	127,842,462	117,243,548	245,086,011	1.00000	-
11	TOTAL O&M						\$ 26,070,976
DEPRECIATION EXPENSE							
12	Transmission	336.7.f or Worksheet A-8	\$ 29,365,820	\$ 22,031,920	\$ 51,397,540	TP	0.99963
13	General	336.10.f	7,346,766	4,608,233	11,954,999	W/S	0.04409
13a	Intangible	336.1f	11,590,770	2,338,768	13,929,538	CE	0.04409
14	Common	336.11.b	-	-	-	TE	0.04409
14a	Amortization of Property Loss	Acct. 407-Unrecovered Plant and Regulatory Study Costs (Note S)	-	-	-	TE	0.89832
15	TOTAL DEPRECIATION	(Sum lines 12-14a)	\$ 48,303,156	\$ 28,978,921	\$ 77,282,077		\$ 52,519,970
TAXES OTHER THAN INCOME TAXES (Note G)							
LABOR RELATED							
16	Payroll	263.i	\$ 11,969,570	\$ 2,472,183	\$ 14,441,753	W/S	0.04409
17	Highway and vehicle	263.i	-	-	-	W/S	0.04409
PLANT RELATED							
18	Property (Note P)	263.i	97,701,225	43,072,576	140,773,801	GP	0.17751
19	Gross Receipts	263.i	-	-	-	NA	0.00000
20	Other	263.i	20,265	265	20,530	GP	0.17751
21	Payments in lieu of taxes	(sum lines 16 - 22)	\$ 109,691,060	\$ 45,545,024	\$ 155,236,084	GP	0.17751
22	TOTAL OTHER TAXES						\$ 25,629,340
INCOME TAXES							
23	T=1 - ((1 - SIT) * (1 - FIT)) / (1 - SIT * FIT * p)) =	(Note H)					
24	CIT=((T/(1-T)) * (1-(WCLTD/R))) =				39.55%		
	where WCLTD=(page 5, line 21) and R= (page 5, line 24)				65.43%		
	and FIT, SIT & p are as given in Note H.						
25	1 / (1 - T) = (from line 23)				1.654260		
26	Amortized Investment Tax Credit (266.8f) (enter negative)		\$ (1,240,527)	\$ (1,638,853)	(2,879,380)		
27	Income Tax Calculation = line 24 * line 30			\$		NA	\$ 82,656,274
28	ITC adjustment	(line 25 * line 26)				NP	(918,431)
29	Total Income Taxes	(line 27 plus line 28)					\$ 81,737,843
30	RETURN	[Rate Base (page 2, line 16) * Rate of Return (page 4, line 24) plus Incentive Return (page 4, line 28)]				NA	\$ 126,335,570
31	Interest on Network Credits					DA	-
32	GROSS REV. REQUIREMENT	(sum lines 11, 15, 22, 29, 30 & 31)		\$ -			\$ 312,293,698

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For the 12 months ended - December 31, 2015

WESTAR ENERGY, INC. (Westar Energy and Kansas Gas and Electric)
(WESTAR)

Line No.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
		Form No. 1 Page, Line, Col.	Westar Energy, Inc (WEN)	Kansas Gas and Electric Company (WES)	Company Total	Allocator	Transmission (Col 5 times Col 6)
TRANSMISSION PLANT INCLUDED IN FORMULA							
1	Total transmission plant	(page 3, Line 13, col. 5)	\$ 1,101,136,422	\$ 894,268,612	\$ 1,995,405,034		\$ 1,995,405,034
2	Less transmission plant excluded from ISO rates (Note I)		667,180	66,775	733,955		733,955
3	Less transmission plant included in OATT Anc. Srv (Notes J&K)				-		-
4	Transmission plant included in rates	(line 1 less lines 2 & 3)	\$ 1,100,469,242	\$ 894,201,837	\$ 1,994,671,079		\$ 1,994,671,079
5	Percentage of transmission plant included in rates	(line 4 divided by line 1)					TP= 0.99963
TRANSMISSION EXPENSES							
6	Transmission expenses	(Page 2, line 1, col. 7)					\$ 25,329,469
7	Less transmission other expenses included in Anc. (Note L)	(Page 2, line 2, col 7)					2,567,086
8	Included transmission expenses (line 6 less line 7)						\$ 22,762,383
9	Percentage of transmission expenses after adjustment (line 8 divided by line 6)						0.89865
10	Percentage of transmission plant included in ISO Rates (line 5)						0.99963
11	Percentage of transmission expenses included in rates (line 9 times line 10)						0.89832
GROSS AND NET PLANT ALLOCATORS							
GROSS PLANT IN SERVICE (ACTUAL HISTORICAL COST)							
12	Production	(page 1, line 1)	\$ 3,221,663,445	\$ 3,498,015,228	\$ 6,719,678,673	NA	
13	Transmission	(page 1, line 2)	1,101,136,422	894,268,612	1,995,405,034	TP	0.99963
14	Distribution	(page 1, line 3)	1,221,729,687	978,018,197	2,199,747,884	NA	
15	General & Intangible	(page 1, line 4)	287,760,070	140,724,515	428,484,585	W/S	0.04409
16	Common	(page 1, line 5)	-	-	-	CE	0.04409
17	TOTAL GROSS PLANT	(sum lines 12-16)	\$ 5,832,289,624	\$ 5,511,026,552	\$ 11,343,316,176	GP =	17.751%
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION (ACTUAL HISTORICAL COST) (Note Q)							
18	Production	(page 1, line 7)	\$ 1,034,150,934	\$ 1,216,729,530	\$ 2,250,880,464	NA	
19	Transmission	(page 1, line 8)	288,717,157	238,620,354	527,337,511	TP	0.99963
20	Distribution	(page 1, line 9)	384,446,910	307,998,327	692,445,237	NA	
21	General & Intangible	(page 1, line 10)	129,199,478	82,981,003	212,180,481	W/S	0.04409
22	Common	(page 1, line 11)	-	-	-	CE	0.04409
23	TOTAL ACCUM. DEPRECIATION	(sum lines 12-16)	\$ 1,836,514,479	\$ 1,846,329,214	\$ 3,682,843,693		
NET PLANT IN SERVICE (ACTUAL HISTORICAL COST)							
24	Production	(line 12 less line 18)	\$ 2,187,512,511	\$ 2,281,285,698	\$ 4,468,798,209		
25	Transmission	(line 13 less line 19)	812,419,265	655,648,258	1,468,067,523	TP	0.99963
26	Distribution	(line 14 less line 20)	837,282,777	670,019,870	1,507,302,647	NA	
27	General & Intangible	(line 15 less line 21)	158,560,592	57,743,512	216,304,104	W/S	0.04409
28	Common	(line 16 less line 22)	-	-	-	CE	0.04409
29	TOTAL NET PLANT	(sum lines 24-28)	\$ 3,995,775,145	\$ 3,864,697,338	\$ 7,660,472,483	NP =	19.282%

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Actual Gross Revenue Requirements
For the 12 months ended - December 31, 2015
WESTAR ENERGY, INC. (Westar Energy and Kansas Gas and Electric)
(WESTAR)

General Note: References to pages in this formula are indicated as: (page#, line#, col.#).
References to data from FERC Form 1 are indicated as: page#.line#.col

NOTES

Letter	
A	Reserved for future use.
B	Identified in Form 1 as being only transmission related.
B	Cash Working Capital assigned to transmission is one-eighth of O&M allocated to transmission at page 2, line 11, col. 7.
C	Prepayments are the electric related prepayments booked to Account No. 165 and reported on FERC Form 1, p. 111, ln. 57, c.
D	Transmission O&M expense does not include any SPP charges for Schedule 1-A of the SPP OATT.
E	Transmission By Others, Account 565 includes only costs associated with transmission facilities which are assigned to the Westar pricing zone by SPP.
F	Industry Association Dues are capped at \$1,000,000. Line 6 - EPRI Annual Membership Dues listed in Form 1 at p. 335.
	Line 6a Remove all Advertising expenses in Account 930.1.
	Line 6b Remove all Regulatory Commission Expenses Itemized at 351.h.
	Line 6c - Add in Wholesale Regulatory Commission Expenses directly related to transmission service, ISO filings, or transmission siting itemized at 351.h.
	Line 6d Add in Safety related advertising that are in Account 930.1.
G	Includes only FICA, unemployment, highway, property, gross receipts, and other assessments charged in the current year.
H	Taxes related to income are excluded. Gross receipts taxes are not included in transmission revenue requirement in the Rate Formula Template, since they are recovered elsewhere. The currently effective income tax rate, where FIT is the Federal income tax rate; SIT is the State income tax rate, and p = "the percentage of federal income tax deductible for state income taxes". If the utility is taxed in more than one state it must attach work paper showing the name of each state and how the blended or composite SIT was developed. Furthermore, a utility that elected to utilize amortization of tax credits against taxable income, rather than book tax credits to Account No. 255 and reduce rate base, must reduce its income tax expense by the amount of the Amortized Investment Tax Credit (Form 1, 266.8.f) multiplied by (1/1-1) (page 3, line 28). When FIT or SIT statutory tax rate changes take effect on other than a calendar year basis, the rates to be used in the formula rate template shall be weighted averages for the calendar year determined by weighting the statutory tax rates by the number days each such tax rate was in effect during the calendar year for which the costs are being det Inputs Required: FIT = 35.00% SIT = 7.00% p = 0.00% (State Income Tax Rate or Composite SIT) (percent of federal income tax deductible for state purposes)
I	Removes transmission plant determined by Commission order to be state-jurisdictional according to the seven-factor test (until FERC Form 1 balances are adjusted to reflect application of seven-factor test).
J	Unless otherwise specified, OATT refers to the Westar and SPP OATT's.
K	Removes dollar amount of transmission plant included in the development of OATT ancillary services rates and generation step-up facilities, which are deemed to be included in OATT ancillary services. For these purposes, generation step-up facilities ar facilities at a generator substation on which there is no through-flow when the generator is shut down.
L	Removes dollar amount of transmission expenses included in the OATT ancillary services rates. Costs related to Ancillary 1, Scheduling and Control, Acct 561 is shown on Actual Gross Rev, page 2, line 2.
M	Enter dollar amounts
N	For Account 216.1, enter zero if the actual balance is negative
O	Debt cost rate = long-term interest (line 15) / long term debt (line 21). Preferred cost rate = preferred dividends (line 16) / preferred stock (line 22).
P	The approved ROE is 11.3%, no change in ROE may be made absent a filing with FERC. Any incentive ROEs approved by the Commission are shown by project in Worksheet A-11.
Q	If the transmission related component of property tax is specifically identified in Form 1, then a TP allocator shall be used. Property tax shall be allocated to transmission by the GP allocator if transmission related property tax is not specifically identified in The initial depreciation rates below will be used to calculate depreciation expense and accumulated depreciation balances absent an appropriate filing with FERC.

FERC Account Number	Depreciation Rate		Wichita-to-Reno-to-Summit		Future Incentive Project	
	Non-Incentive Plant	Summit	Wichita-to-Reno-to-Summit	Future Incentive Project	Summit	Future Incentive Project
60.00						
350 Land and Land Rights						
351 (reserved)						
352 Structures and Improvements	2.68	6.67				
353 Station Equipment	1.54	6.67				
354 Towers and Fixtures	3.51	6.67				
355 Poles and Fixtures	3.19	6.67				
356 Overhead Conductors and Devices	2.05	6.67				
357 Underground Conduit	1.50	6.67				
358 Underground Conductors and Devices	2.10	6.67				
359 Roads and Trails	1.56	6.67				
The incentive depreciation rates will be applied to assets recorded in the Wichita-to-Reno-to-Summit location code in WES's						
The initial Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions (PBOP) expense set forth below will be used in lieu of the actual PBOP						
expense incurred in the year absent an appropriate filing with FERC.						
Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions						
	WEN	WES	WES	TOTAL		
	\$	9,697,558	\$	6,642,051	\$	16,339,609
R						
S						
Page 1 line 19a is the unamortized balance related to the recovery of transmission expense for the December 2007 ice storm booked in Account 182.3. Accrued transmission expenses for the December 2007 ice storm shall be amortized in the transmission O&M accounts over 36 months beginning June 1, 2008. The total amount to be amortized in the transmission O&M accounts shall be \$6,647,679, developed as follows:						
Total transmission expenses accrued for the December 2007 ice storm						
Less total transmission storm damage reserve as of December 2007						
Total transmission expense to be amortized						
* All future accruals of transmission storm damage reserves will be subtracted from rate base until they are applied to offset the December 2007 ice storm damage expenses.						

EXHIBIT JAK-18

OASIS Apps

- Curtailment Viewer
(../CurtailementManager/CurtailementViewer.aspx)
- DC Tie Viewer
(../DCTieUpdate/DCTieUpdateViewOnly.aspx)
- Price Discounts
(../PriceDiscounts/PriceDiscountsViewer.aspx)
- Price Matrix (PriceMatrix.aspx)
- Transmission Load Relief
(../TransLoadRelief/TransLoadRelief.aspx)

Price Matrix

DOGWOOD.BPU - KCPL

ZONAL FIRM(\$)							
Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Annual	Last Updated			
42.115	210.575	912.493	10949.92	08/01/2016			
ZONAL NON-FIRM(\$)							
Hourly Off-Peak	Hourly On-Peak	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Last Updated		
1.25	2.632	42.115	210.575	912.493	08/01/2016		
Schedule Fee(\$)							
Hourly	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Last Updated			
0.017	0.401	2.81	12.2	08/01/2016			
Reactive Voltage(\$)							
Hourly	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Last Updated			
0	0.004	0.022	0.094	08/01/2016			
Base Plan Regional Firm							
Hourly On-Peak	Hourly Off-Peak	Daily On-Peak	Daily Off-Peak	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Effective Date
0	0	50.26	35.9	251.298	1088.958	13067.5	08/01/2016
Base Plan Regional Non Firm							
Hourly On-Peak	Hourly Off-Peak	Daily On-Peak	Daily Off-Peak	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Effective Date
3.141	1.492	50.26	35.801	251.298	1088.958	0	08/01/2016
Base Plan Zonal Firm							
Hourly On-Peak	Hourly Off-Peak	Daily On-Peak	Daily Off-Peak	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Effective Date
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	08/01/2016
Base Plan Zonal Non Firm							
Hourly On-Peak	Hourly Off-Peak	Daily On-Peak	Daily Off-Peak	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Effective Date
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	08/01/2016
Administration Fee							
Hourly		Daily		Weekly			
0.37		8.88		62.16			

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- Price Matrix (PriceMatrix.aspx)
- Transmission Load Relief
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Price Matrix

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ZONAL FIRM(\$)							
Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Annual	Last Updated			
167.924	839.619	3638.349	43660.19	08/01/2016			
ZONAL NON-FIRM(\$)							
Hourly Off-Peak	Hourly On-Peak	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Last Updated		
4.998	10.495	167.924	839.619	3638.349	08/01/2016		
Schedule Fee(\$)							
Hourly	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Last Updated			
0.18	2.89	14.46	62.67	08/01/2016			
Reactive Voltage(\$)							
Hourly	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Last Updated			
0.015	0.238	1.189	5.154	08/01/2016			
Base Plan Regional Firm							
Hourly On-Peak	Hourly Off-Peak	Daily On-Peak	Daily Off-Peak	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Effective Date
0	0	50.26	35.9	251.298	1088.958	13067.5	08/01/2016
Base Plan Regional Non Firm							
Hourly On-Peak	Hourly Off-Peak	Daily On-Peak	Daily Off-Peak	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Effective Date
3.141	1.492	50.26	35.801	251.298	1088.958	0	08/01/2016
Base Plan Zonal Firm							
Hourly On-Peak	Hourly Off-Peak	Daily On-Peak	Daily Off-Peak	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Effective Date
0	0	25.136	17.954	125.679	544.61	6535.318	08/01/2016
Base Plan Zonal Non Firm							
Hourly On-Peak	Hourly Off-Peak	Daily On-Peak	Daily Off-Peak	Weekly	Monthly	Yearly	Effective Date
1.571	0.746	25.136	17.905	125.679	544.61	0	08/01/2016
Administration Fee							
Hourly		Daily		Weekly			
0.37		8.88		62.16			

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EXHIBIT JAK-19

**Impact of Combined Potential Combined Tariff on BPU
Based on KCP&L, KCP&L GMO and Westar Single Tariff Rate
Firm Point-to-Point Reservation Costs**

	<u>Rate</u>
Existing Zonal Rate (1)	\$ 0.912 /kW-month
Combined Zonal Rate (2)	\$ 2.261 /kW-month
Percentage Increase	148%

<u>TSR</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Existing Annual Cost</u>	<u>Annual Cost w/ Combined Zonal Rate</u>	<u>Potential Increase</u>
1221923	39	\$ 427,047	\$ 1,057,936	\$ 630,889
1599972	25	273,748	678,164	404,416
74231191	7	76,649	189,886	113,237
74434813	2	21,900	54,253	32,353
75710066	100	1,094,992	2,712,656	1,617,664
78544226	5	54,750	135,633	80,883
79974639	2	21,900	54,253	32,353
	180	\$ 1,970,985	\$ 4,882,781	\$ 2,911,796

Notes:

(1) See Exhibit JAK-2, KCP&L zone.

(2) See Exhibit JAK-3.

EXHIBIT JAK-20

Southwest Power Pool, Inc.
Calculation of Rates for Point-To-Point Transmission Service
Combined Westar/GMO/KCPL Rate

Line No.		<u>KCPL</u>	<u>GMO</u>	<u>Westar</u>	<u>Total</u>
1	SPP ZONAL REVENUE REQUIREMENT	\$31,987,626	\$23,071,397	\$181,843,739	\$236,902,761
2	DIVISOR KW per year	8,733,240	8,733,240	8,733,240	
	RATES				
3	Firm Annual Cost (\$/kW/Yr) (line 1 / line 2)	\$3.663	\$2.642	\$20.822	\$27.127
4	Firm and Non-Firm Monthly P-to-P Rate (\$/kW/Mo) (line 3 / 12 months)	\$0.305	\$0.220	\$1.735	\$2.261