

BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF]
KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY] DOCKET NO. 15-KCPE-116-RTS
TO MAKE CERTAIN CHANGES IN ITS]
CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE]

DIRECT TESTIMONY OF

BRIAN KALCIC

RE:
CLASS COST OF SERVICE, AND
RESIDENTIAL AND SMALL GENERAL
SERVICE RATE DESIGN

ON BEHALF OF
THE CITIZENS' UTILITY RATEPAYER BOARD

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1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. Brian Kalcic, 225 S. Meramec Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105.

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4 **Q. What is your occupation?**

5 A. I am an economist and consultant in the field of public utility regulation, and principal
6 of Excel Consulting. My qualifications are described in the Appendix to this testimony.

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8 **Q. On whose behalf are you testifying in this case?**

9 A. I am testifying on behalf of the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board ("CURB").

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11 **Q. What is the subject of your testimony?**

12 A. I will review and critique the class cost-of-service methodologies sponsored by Kansas
13 City Power & Light Company ("KCPL"). I will also examine the Company's
14 residential and Small General Service ("SGS") secondary rate design proposals, and
15 sponsor alternative rate designs, where appropriate.

16 Finally, in order to illustrate CURB's policy position regarding conservation that
17 is discussed by CURB witness Stacey Harden, I will present an alternative,
18 conservation-oriented residential rate design for the Commission's consideration.

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20 **Q. Have you reflected CURB witness Andrea C. Crane's recommended revenue
21 adjustment for KCPL in your alternative rate design proposals?**

22 A. No, I have not. For ease of comparison with KCPL's rate design proposals, CURB's
23 alternative rate design proposals reflect the Company's proposed revenue allocation and

1 class revenue requirements, exclusive of the Company's proposed Transmission
2 Delivery Charge ("TDC").

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4 **Q. Please summarize your primary recommendations.**

5 A. Based upon my analysis of KCPL's filing and discovery responses, I recommend that
6 the Kansas Corporation Commission ("KCC" or "Commission"):

- 7 • Direct the Company to use the Base, Intermediate and Peak cost-of-
8 service methodology in future rate proceedings;
- 9 • Reject KCPL's proposal to recover the cost of Local Facilities in the
10 residential customer charge;
- 11 • Adopt CURB's revised residential rate design, which includes a cost-
12 based customer charge of \$11.33 per month; and
- 13 • Adopt the Company's proposed SGS secondary rate design, which
14 includes an across-the-board increase to most tariff charges.

15 The specific details associated with the above recommendations are discussed below.

16
17 **I. Class Cost of Service**

18
19 **Q. Mr. Kalcic, please provide a general description of the cost-of-service analysis
20 submitted by the Company in this proceeding.**

21 A. KCPL prepared a fully allocated cost-of-service study ("COSS") for the purpose of
22 assigning the Company's claimed revenue requirement to rate classes. More accurately,
23 KCPL prepared two separate COSSs. The first study uses the Base, Intermediate and

1 Peak (“BIP”) cost allocation methodology that the Company employed in KCC Docket
2 Nos. 10-KCPE-415-RTS and 12-KCPE-746-RTS. The second study employs the
3 Average and Peak, Four Coincident Peak (“A&P 4CP”) methodology.

4 While the two studies utilize different cost-of-service methodologies, each
5 COSS includes the traditional three-step process of functionalization, classification and
6 allocation. *Functionalization* refers to the process whereby utility plant and related
7 expenses are assigned to functions, such as production, transmission, distribution and
8 customer service. *Classification* refers to the process whereby the functionalized costs
9 are separated by cost category, namely demand-, energy-, or customer-related costs.
10 Finally, *allocation* refers to the process whereby the utility’s classified costs are
11 assigned to rate classes, based upon a factor that reflects a causal relationship between a
12 given class and the utility’s cost incurrence.

13 Upon completion, a COSS produces a measure of total cost of service, by rate
14 class. By comparing allocated cost responsibility to class revenue levels, one can
15 determine whether a given rate class is contributing revenues that are above or below its
16 indicated cost of service.

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18 **Q. How is a COSS used?**

19 A. The results of a COSS are typically used as a guide in the determination of overall class
20 revenue requirements (i.e., revenue allocation), and in the subsequent implementation
21 of those class revenue requirements via customer, demand, or energy charges (i.e., rate
22 design).

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1 **Q. Mr. Kalcic, how does the BIP methodology classify production plant?**

2 A. KCPL maintains numerous supply resources with varied capabilities for the purpose of
3 providing both capacity and energy for customers throughout all 8,760 hours during the
4 year. The BIP methodology examines the design and operating characteristics of
5 individual units, along with how those generation resources are used, and classifies
6 production plant as either: a) base; b) intermediate; or c) peak-related.

7 Large generating units (e.g., nuclear and coal) are normally the first units that
8 are dispatched to meet customer load, since such units have lower average fuel costs
9 (and are therefore designed to run throughout the year). The BIP methodology
10 classifies such facilities as base (load) units. The next units that would generally be
11 dispatched to serve load, i.e., load in excess of the level served by base units, are not
12 designed to run as many hours as base units, due to higher operating costs. Still, such
13 units are designed to run many hours (and in all months) throughout the year. The BIP
14 methodology classifies these load-following supply resources as intermediate units.
15 Finally, those units that are last in the dispatch order are generally run only to meet
16 spikes in load levels that are of shorter duration. These last units have high operating
17 costs, and are therefore designed to run only a few hours during the year. The BIP
18 methodology classifies these supply resources as peak units.

19 From a traditional classification perspective, base units are considered energy-
20 related, while intermediate and peak units are deemed to be capacity- (or demand-)
21 related.

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1 **Q. How does the BIP methodology allocate production plant to rate classes?**

2 A. Base costs are allocated to classes using a *base energy* allocation factor. The base
3 energy factor is derived from class contributions to the month with the *lowest* total
4 energy use during the test period. The aggregate level of base usage over the full course
5 of the test period is defined as twelve times the average usage of the month with the
6 lowest energy usage. Class contributions to the total annual base level of usage are
7 used to allocate the costs of base load units.

8 Intermediate costs are allocated to classes using the *12CP Remaining* allocation
9 factor. The 12CP Remaining factor is derived from class contributions to the system's
10 twelve monthly peak demands ("12CP"), less the amount of class load serve by base
11 units. Class contributions to this 12CP Remaining load are used to allocate the costs of
12 intermediate units.

13 Finally, the peak costs associated with peaking units are allocated to classes
14 using the *4CP Remaining* allocation factor. The 4CP Remaining factor is derived from
15 class contributions to the system's four highest monthly peak demands ("4CP"), less the
16 amount of class load serve by base and intermediate units.

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18 **Q. How does the A&P 4CP methodology differ from the BIP methodology?**

19 A. The A&P 4CP methodology is similar to the BIP method in that it also deems a utility's
20 production-related investment and associated operating expenses (excluding fuel) as
21 serving both a demand *and* an energy function. However, compared to the BIP
22 methodology, the method used in the A&P 4CP methodology to classify production
23 plant is much less rigorous. In particular, the A&P 4CP methodology classifies

1 production plant investment as demand-and energy-related, based upon a utility's load
 2 factor.¹ In this proceeding, KCPL's system load factor is 50.1%%, so 50.1% of all
 3 production plant investment is classified as energy-related, and 49.9% is as demand-
 4 related. Furthermore, the A&P 4CP methodology goes on to allocate: a) the energy-
 5 related portion of production plant to classes on the basis of energy use; and b) the
 6 demand-related portion of production plant to classes on the basis of the contribution of
 7 each class to KCPL's four highest monthly peak demands.

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 9 **Q. What are the cost-of-service results under the two methodologies?**

10 A. The present class rates of return under the BIP and A&P 4CP methodologies are
 11 summarized in Table 2 of KCPL witness Paul M. Normand's direct testimony, and
 12 repeated for convenience in Table A below. In addition, Mr. Normand provides a
 13 composite or weighed average of the results of the two studies.

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 15 **Table A**
 16 Class Rate of Return Results

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<i>Class</i>	<i>BIP</i>	<i>Return Index</i>	<i>A&P 4CP</i>	<i>Return Index</i>	<i>Composite Index</i>
Residential	6.29%	1.00	5.62%	0.89	0.95
Small GS	8.66%	1.37	8.84%	1.40	1.39
Medium GS	7.97%	1.26	8.30%	1.31	1.29
Large GS	5.36%	0.85	6.18%	0.98	0.92
Lighting	5.35%	0.85	9.69%	1.54	1.20
KS Total	6.31%	1.00	6.31%	1.00	1.00

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¹ Load factor is defined as the ratio of average demand to peak demand.

1 **Q. Why has the Company submitted two COSSs in this proceeding?**

2 A. KCPL is a member of the Southwest Power Pool (“SPP”), which recently converted to
3 an “Integrated Marketplace” or regional approach to dispatching generating units. As
4 Company witness Bradley D. Lutz explains:

5 At its core, the BIP allocator requires the Company to divide its production
6 fleet between the base, intermediate, and peak levels. The Company believes
7 that, although the BIP model is capable to model changing conditions, it will
8 become increasing[ly] difficult to make this assignment given the way we
9 expect to utilize and plan our generation assets in the future in light of the SPP
10 Integrated Marketplace. Over time, the Company may support a transition to
11 the more general allocation provided by the A&P 4CP method. However, at
12 this time we support the concept of blending the BIP and A&P 4CP results as
13 an intermediate step.”²
14

15 **Q. Has the Company, in fact, used any of the cost-of-service results shown in Table A
16 as a guide to developing its class revenue allocation in this proceeding?**

17 A. No. As shown in Schedule BK-1, KCPL is proposing to assign a uniform increase of
18 10.48% to all rate classes, due to the Company’s concern that attempts to align class
19 revenue levels more closely with class cost of service indications could lead to lost
20 revenues due to “rate switching” or “rate migration.”³

21 But for the rate migration issue, however, KCPL would presumable have used
22 the combined (or blended) results of its BIP and A&P 4CP cost studies to guide its class
23 revenue allocation.

24

25 **Q. Mr. Kalcic, do you agree with Mr. Lutz that the BIP methodology is capable of
26 modeling changing conditions?**

² See the Direct Testimony of Bradley D. Lutz at pages 9-10.

³ See the Direct Testimony of Bradley D. Lutz at pages 10-11.

1 A. Yes. Indeed, Mr. Normand indicates that he adjusted the classification of KCPL's
2 generating units in preparing his BIP COSS for this proceeding to reflect the central
3 dispatch of those units by the SPP.

4
5 **Q. How does the BIP classification of KCPL's generating units in this proceeding**
6 **compare to the classification used in the Company's COSS from Docket No. 12-**
7 **KCPE-764-RTS?**

8 A. I have summarized the classification results in Table B below. As shown in Table B,
9 the current COSS classifies a greater percentage of KCPL's generation as base- and
10 intermediate-related, compared to the 764 Docket.

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12 **Table B**
13 **Summary of BIP Classification Results**

	<i>116 Docket</i>	<i>764 Docket</i>
Base Energy	49.00%	46.39%
12 CP Remaining	31.16%	27.24%
4 CP Remaining	<u>19.84%</u>	<u>26.37%</u>
Total Generation	100.00%	100.00%

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15 Source: Appendix A, page 2, to Mr. Normand's Direct
16 Testimony, and CURB DR 152.

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18 **Q. Is this shift in BIP classification somehow inappropriate?**

19 A. No, since the new classification presumably reflects how the SPP currently dispatches
20 KCPL's generation.

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1 **Q. Do you share Mr. Lutz's concern that it will become increasingly difficult for the**
2 **BIP methodology to model how KCPL plans and utilizes its generation assets in**
3 **the future, in the context of the SPP's Integrated Marketplace dispatch approach?**

4 A. No. Neither Mr. Lutz nor Mr. Normand has provided any explanation as to how or why
5 the BIP methodology would fail to reflect the manner in which KCPL builds and
6 maintains its generating fleet going forward, in the context of the SPP's Integrated
7 Marketplace.

8
9 **Q. Mr. Kalcic, has the KCC approved the use of the A&P 4CP methodology in recent**
10 **KCPL rate proceedings?**

11 A. No. Counsel advises that the KCC specifically rejected the A&P 4CP methodology in
12 two recent KCPL rate proceedings at Docket Nos. 10-KCPE-415-RTS and 12-KCPE-
13 764-RTS.

14
15 **Q. At the same time, did the KCC adopt a particular COSS methodology in either of**
16 **those KCPL rate proceedings?**

17 A. Yes. In each case, the KCC adopted the BIP methodology sponsored by KCPL witness
18 Paul M. Normand.

19
20 **Q. What were the Commission's specific findings in the above referenced KCPL rate**
21 **proceedings?**

22 A. In Docket No. 10-KCPE-415-RTS, the KCC concluded:

23 The Commission finds Normand's use of the BIP method in his CCOS
24 Study for allocation of production plant is preferable to Staff's average-

1 and-peak approach. The BIP method provides more structure for
2 modeling costs of production plant and use of generating resources. It
3 also allows for a detailed examination of seasonal costs and
4 corresponding seasonal rate allocations.⁴
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6 Similarly, in Docket No. 12-KCPE-746-RTS, the KCC concluded:

7 Doubletree and Sprint both oppose the BIP methodology claiming it
8 allocates a disproportionate amount of costs to the LGS and Large Power
9 customers. Doubletree favors spreading the increased costs equally,
10 across-the-board to all classes. Both KCP&L and CURB note applying
11 an across-the-board rate increase would exacerbate cost causation
12 inequities by moving the LGS and Large Power classes further below the
13 system rate of return. More importantly, Doubletree's and Sprint's
14 positions ignore the Commission's directive in the 415 Docket, favoring
15 the BIP method over the average-and-peak approach, finding the BIP
16 method provides more structure for modeling costs and allows for a
17 detailed examination of seasonal costs and rate allocations.⁵
18

19 **Q. Please summarize CURB's position with respect to the Company's proposal to**
20 **give less weight to (or move away from) the BIP COSS methodology in future rate**
21 **proceedings?**

22 A. The KCC determined that the BIP methodology is the preferred cost methodology for
23 KCPL in the Company's two prior rate proceedings. In CURB's view, KCPL has failed
24 to provide any evidence that the BIP methodology is incapable of providing reasonable
25 class cost-of-service results going forward, i.e., in the context of the SPP's Integrated
26 Marketplace. CURB recommends that the KCC: 1) reject KCPL's proposal; and 2)
27 direct to Company to use the BIP COSS methodology in its next rate proceeding.
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⁴ KCC Order: 1) Addressing Prudence; 2) Approving Application, in Part; & 3) Ruling on Pending Requests, Docket No. 10-KCPE-415-RTS, November 22, 2010, at page 117.

⁵ KCC Order on KCP&L's Application for Rate Change, Docket No. 12-KCPE-764-RTS, December 13, 2012s, at pages 23-24 (footnotes omitted).

1 **II. Residential Rate Design**

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3 **Q. Mr. Kalcic, please provide a brief description of KCPL's current residential**
4 **service rate schedules.**

5 A. The Company serves residential customers via five (5) rate schedules: 1) General Use
6 (RES-A); 2) General Use and Space Heat – One Meter (RES-C); 3) General Use and
7 Space Heat – Two Meters (RES-D); 4) Residential Time of Day Service (RTOD); and
8 5) Residential Other Use (ROU).⁶

9 The majority of KCPL's residential customers (i.e., approximately 71.0%) take
10 service under RES-A. The RES-A rate schedule contains a customer charge and a flat
11 rate energy charge, which is seasonally differentiated.⁷ Approximately 23.0% of
12 residential customers take service on the Company's RES-C space heating rate
13 schedule. The RES-C rate schedule contains a two step, declining block winter energy
14 charge, with winter rates reflecting discounts of 10% to 21% from the flat rate RES-A
15 energy charge. The Company also offers a discounted space-heating rate to customers
16 on RES-D, where space-heating equipment must be connected to a separate meter. The
17 RES-D winter rates are identical to the RES-C winter rates, except that separately
18 metered space heating load is billed at the RES-C second block rate. Any summer
19 usage that is registered on RES-D separate meters (e.g., air conditioning load from a
20 heat-pump) is billed at KCPL's summer energy charge.

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⁶ CURB will not address the Company's RTOD or ROU rate schedules.

⁷ KCPL has one (1) summer energy charge that is applicable to all residential customers except those taking service on the RTOD or ROU rate schedules.

1 **Q. Is the Company proposing to revise its residential rate *structure* in this**
2 **proceeding?**

3 A. Yes. KCPL is proposing: 1) to replace its single block RES-A winter energy charge
4 with a three step, declining block rate; and 2) to replace its two step, declining block
5 RES-C and RES-D winter energy charge with a three step, declining block rate.

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7 **Q. Have you provided a summary of the Company's proposed residential rate design**
8 **in this case?**

9 A. Yes, I have. The Company's present and proposed residential tariff charges are
10 summarized in Schedule BK-2. Notably, as shown in column 4 of Schedule BK-2,
11 KCPL is proposing to increase residential customer charges from 52.0% to 77.4% (lines
12 1-2). The Company is also proposing to realign/reinforce its seasonal pricing cost
13 differentials by assigning a 7.5% increase to the residential summer energy charge (lines
14 3-5), while reducing one or more of its applicable residential winter energy charges
15 (lines 6-15).

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17 **Q. What is the basis for the Company's proposal to increase the non-RTOD customer**
18 **charge from \$10.71 to \$19.00 per month, or 77.4%?**

19 A. KCPL is proposing to recover the Residential class's allocated share of the cost of
20 certain secondary distribution facilities and line transformers (collectively "Local
21 Facilities") in the residential customer charge (rather than energy charges). According
22 to Mr. Normand's Exhibit PNM-3, Schedule 3, page 46 of 60, the cost-based customer

1 charge for residential customers is \$18.79 per month, inclusive of Local Facilities.⁸

2 KCPL rounds that figure up to \$19.00 per month in its proposed rate design.

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4 **Q. Does CURB agree with the Company's proposed residential customer charge?**

5 A. No. CURB does not agree with the inclusion of Local Facilities costs in the residential
6 customer charge. Local Facilities costs are classified as demand-related and allocated
7 to classes on the basis of class non-coincident peak demands and/or customer maximum
8 demand levels in the Company's COSSs.⁹ Nevertheless, the Company deems Local
9 Facilities costs to be customer related for purposes of setting customer charge levels.

10 In essence, KCPL is proposing to recover Local Facilities costs in the residential
11 customer charge because such costs are fixed, i.e., unrelated to a customer's energy
12 usage.¹⁰ However, actual customer costs are comprised of only those costs that vary
13 with the number of customers served, such as the costs associated with meters, meter
14 reading, service lines and billing. In CURB's view, customer charges should be limited
15 to the recovery of a utility's *customer-related* costs. All other costs should be recovered
16 via a utility's energy and/or demand charges.

17

18 **Q. Mr. Kalcic, what is the cost-based level of the residential customer charge in the**
19 **Company's COSSs, exclusive of Local Facilities costs?**

20 A. As shown in Exhibit PMN-3, Schedule 3, page 46 at line 36, the cost-based customer
21 charge level is \$11.33 per month.

⁸ Note that the BIP and A&P 4CP methodologies produce the same cost benchmark of \$18.79 per month.

⁹ See Table 1 on page 12 of the Direct Testimony of Paul M. Normand.

¹⁰ See the Direct Testimony of Bradley D. Lutz at page 17.

1 **Q. Have you prepared a revised residential rate design and proof of revenue that**
2 **reflects a customer charge of \$11.33 per month?**

3 A. Yes, in Schedule BK-3.
4

5 **Q. Please describe Schedule BK-3.**

6 A. Schedule BK-3 consists of six (6) columns. Column 1 contains the pro forma billing
7 determinants filed by KCPL. Column 2 contains the Company's present base rates.
8 Column 3 shows the present revenue that is derived from multiplying KCPL's pro
9 forma billing determinants in column 1 by the present rates shown in column 2.
10 CURB's recommended rates are shown in column 4, and its recommended revenue is
11 provided in column 5. Finally, column 6 shows the percentage change in revenues
12 under CURB's recommended rate design.

13 As shown on line 32, columns 5-6 of Schedule BK-3, CURB's revised rate
14 design would produce the same total residential base rate revenue requirement of
15 \$301.2 million as proposed by KCPL, which equates to a base rate increase of 10.48%.
16

17 **Q. How did you recover the cost of Local Facilities that KCPL included in its**
18 **proposed residential customer charge?**

19 A. First, I assigned Local Facilities costs to seasons, as shown in the Company's BIP
20 COSS. Next, I recovered summer Local Facilities costs in the summer energy charge
21 (shown on lines 5-6 of Schedule BK-3), and winter Local Facilities costs in winter
22 energy charges (shown on lines 9-22 of Schedule BK-3).¹¹

¹¹ Winter Local Facilities costs were assigned to the RES-A, RES-C and RES-D subclasses in accordance with the allocations shown in the Company's BIP COSS.

1 **Q. Does CURB's revised residential rate design incorporate the Company's proposed**
2 **structural changes to the RES-A, RES-C and RES-D winter energy charges that**
3 **are shown on lines 6-15 of Schedule BK-2?**

4 A. No. CURB's rate design retains the Company's existing winter energy charge rate
5 structure, i.e., a flat rate winter energy charge for RES-A customers, and a two step,
6 declining block winter energy charge for RES-C and RES-D customers.

7
8 **Q. Why does Schedule BK-3 retain KCPL's existing winter rate structure?**

9 A. CURB policy witness Stacey Harden discusses CURB's proposal to set RES-C and
10 RES-D space heating discounts at the levels that existed prior to the KCC's decision in
11 Docket No. 10-KCPE-415-RTS. The space heating discounts that existed at that time
12 were based on (or measured against) a flat rate RES-A winter energy charge. In order
13 to facilitate the implementation of CURB's space heating discount policy at the
14 conclusion of this proceeding, I prepared CURB's revised residential rate design using
15 KCPL's existing residential rate structure.

16
17 **Q. Have you prepared any other residential rate design for this proceeding?**

18 A. Yes. At the request of Ms. Harden, I have prepared a residential rate design with
19 inclining block summer energy charges in Schedule BK-4 to illustrate how CURB's
20 position with respect to employing a conservation-oriented rate design might be
21 implemented in this proceeding.

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1 **Q. How do CURB's illustrative residential rates in Schedule BK-4 compare to its**
2 **revised rates shown in Schedule BK-3?**

3 A. CURB's illustrative residential rate design adopts all of CURB's proposed customer
4 charges and winter energy charges that are shown in Schedule BK-3. However, in place
5 of CURB's revised flat rate summer energy charge of \$0.12035 per kWh, CURB's
6 illustrative rates would establish: 1) a rate of \$0.11833 per kWh for usage up to 1,000
7 kWh per month in the summer; and 2) a rate of \$0.12397 per kWh for all usage in
8 excess of 1,000 kWh in the summer.¹² This second block rate incorporates a
9 conservation-oriented price differential of approximately 0.6¢ per kWh (or 5%) over
10 CURB's illustrative summer rate for the 0-1,000 kWh block.

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12 **Q. Mr. Kalcic, why did you limit the summer energy charge price differential to 5%**
13 **in Schedule BK-4?**

14 A. I limited the price differential to 5% in order to mitigate the potential bill impacts on
15 residential customers that use in excess of 1,000 kWh per month in the summer. I note
16 that the KCC approved a summer inclining block rate design for residential customers
17 of Westar Energy, Inc. in Docket No. 13-WSEE-629-RTS. As a result of that case,
18 Westar's residential customers pay approximately 17.5% more for all usage in excess of
19 900 kWh during the summer months. CURB's illustrative summer price differential of
20 5% would act as a first step toward implementing the type of residential rate design
21 approved in Docket No. 13-WSEE-629-RTS.

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¹² See lines 5-6 of column 4 in Schedule BK-4.

1 **Q. Have you quantified the increases that would apply to the Company's residential**
2 **subclasses under CURB's illustrative rate design?**

3 A. Yes. Schedule BK-5 shows the residential increases produced by CURB's illustrative
4 conservation-oriented rate design. Those increases would range from a low of 10.09%
5 (RES-D) to a high of 10.58% (RES-A).

6

7 **Q. Are the residential subclass increases shown in Schedule BK-5 materially different**
8 **from the increases associated with the Company's proposed residential rate**
9 **design?**

10 A. No, the two proposals produce similar rate increases for each subclass.

11

12 **Q. Mr. Kalcic, would you please summarize CURB's rate design proposals for the**
13 **Company's residential rate classes?**

14 A. Yes. CURB recommends that the Commission reject KCPL's proposal to recover
15 Local Facilities costs in the residential customer charge, and adopt CURB's proposed
16 customer charge of \$11.33 per month.

17 In addition, if the Commission adopts CURB's policy position with respect to
18 residential space heating discounts, the additional discounts should be implemented
19 using the residential rate design presented in Schedule BK-3 as the starting point.

20 Finally, if the Commission adopts CURB's policy position with respect to
21 conservation, the KCC should direct KCPL to implement a two-step inclining block
22 summer energy charge applicable to all residential customers, with the rate for usage in
23 excess of 1,000 kWh per month set at 105% of the first block rate.

1 **III. SGS Rate Design**

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3 **Q. Mr. Kalcic, please provide a brief description of the Company's current SGS rate**
4 **schedules for secondary voltage service.**

5 A. The Company maintains four (4) secondary SGS rate schedules: a) General Use
6 (SGSS); b) Space Heating – All Electric (SGSSA); c) Separately Metered Space Heat
7 (SGSSH); and d) Unmetered Service (SGSSU). The SGSS, SGSSA and SGSSH rate
8 schedules contain a customer charge (based on the size of the customer's load in kW), a
9 demand charge and a seasonally differentiated, demand-based declining block energy
10 charge.¹³ The SGSSU rate schedule reflects a (single) customer charge and seasonally
11 differentiated, declining block energy charges (i.e., the same seasonal energy charges
12 that apply to SGSS customers). The Company maintains one set of summer energy
13 charges that applies to all SGSS, SGSSA and SGSSH customers. SGSSA customers
14 receive non-uniform discounts from the winter energy charges paid by SGSS customers.
15 SGSSH customers pay the same winter energy charges as SGSS customers, except for a
16 discount on their separately metered heating load.

17
18 **Q. Does the Company propose to revise its SGS rate structure in this proceeding?**

19 A. Only in one minor respect. As shown in Schedule BK-6, the Company is proposing to
20 assign an across-the-board increase of 10.5% to all of its SGS energy charges, except in
21 the case of the separately metered heating load of SGSSH customers (line 16).

¹³ The Company's declining block energy charges are defined according to "hours use" breakpoints, rather than fixed kWh usage levels. As a result, the higher the SGS customer's load factor, the greater the percentage of the customer's usage that is billed at a lower rate per kWh.

1 Under present rates, SGSSH heating load is billed at the SGSS third block
2 winter rate of \$0.0477 per kWh. Under proposed rates, SGSSH heating load would be
3 billed at (linked to) the SGSSA third block winter rate of \$0.04370 per kWh. This
4 change results in a slightly lower increase (7.19%) to the SGSSH heating rate.

5
6 **Q. Is the Company's proposed change in its SGS rate structure reasonable?**

7 A. Yes. Since heating customers are served on both rate schedules SGSSA and SGSSH,
8 the SGSSH heating rate should be linked to the SGSSA rate.

9
10 **Q. Does CURB accept the Company's proposed SGS rate design in this proceeding?**

11 A. Yes, it does.

12
13 **Q. How should the Commission adjust the Company's proposed SGS rate design in
14 the event that the KCC awards KCPL less than its requested increase?**

15 A. In that event, CURB recommends a proportional reduction to the Company's proposed
16 SGS increases shown in column 3 of Schedule BK-6.

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18 **Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?**

19 A. Yes.

VERIFICATION

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss:
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS)

I, Brian Kalcic, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon his oath states:

That he is a consultant for the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board; that he has read the above and foregoing Testimony, and, upon information and belief, states that the matters therein appearing are true and correct.

Brian Kalcic

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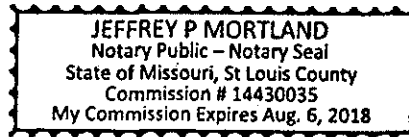
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Jeffrey P. Mortland

Notary Public

My Commission expires:

8/6/2018



APPENDIX

Qualifications of Brian Kalcic

Mr. Kalcic graduated from Benedictine University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics in December 1974. In May 1977 he received a Master of Arts degree in Economics from Washington University, St. Louis. In addition, he has completed all course requirements at Washington University for a Ph.D. in Economics.

From 1977 to 1982, Mr. Kalcic taught courses in economics at both Washington University and Webster University, including Microeconomic and Macroeconomic Theory, Labor Economics and Public Finance.

During 1980 and 1981, Mr. Kalcic was a consultant to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, St. Louis District Office. His responsibilities included data collection and organization, statistical analysis and trial testimony.

From 1982 to 1996, Mr. Kalcic was employed by the firm of Cook, Eisdorfer & Associates, Inc. During that time, he participated in the analysis of electric, gas and water utility rate case filings. His primary responsibilities included cost-of-service and economic analysis, model building, and statistical analysis.

In March 1996, Mr. Kalcic founded Excel Consulting, a consulting practice that offers business and regulatory analysis.

Mr. Kalcic has previously testified before the state regulatory commissions of Delaware, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, and Texas, and also before the Bonneville Power Administration.

SCHEDULES BK-1 THROUGH BK-6

KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

Company Proposed Allocation of its
Requested Increase in Base Revenue
(Dollars in Thousands)

<u>Line</u>	<u>Classification</u>	Present Base Revenue (1)	Proposed Base Revenue (2)	Proposed Increase	
				Amount (3)= (2) - (1)	Percent (4)= (3) / (1)
1	Residential	\$272,644	\$301,229	\$28,584	10.48%
2	SGS	\$38,415	\$42,442	\$4,028	10.48%
3	MGS	\$66,320	\$73,273	\$6,953	10.48%
4	LGS	\$151,282	\$167,142	\$15,861	10.48%
5	Lighting	<u>\$8,136</u>	<u>\$8,989</u>	<u>\$853</u>	10.48%
6	Total Retail	\$536,797	\$593,076	\$56,279	10.48%

Source: Section 17
Summary

KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
Summary of Present and Proposed Residential Base Rates

Line	Description	Present Rates (1)	Proposed Rates (2)	Proposed Increase	
				Amount (3)	Percent (4)
Customer Charge					
1	One Meter 1/	\$10.71	\$19.00	\$8.29	77.40%
2	Time of Day	\$15.13	\$23.00	\$7.87	52.02%
Energy Charge					
<u>Summer -- All Customers</u>					
3	First 600 kWh	\$0.10331	\$0.11110	\$0.00779	7.54%
4	Next 400 kWh	\$0.10331	\$0.11110	\$0.00779	7.54%
5	All add'l kWh	\$0.10331	\$0.11110	\$0.00779	7.54%
<u>Winter</u>					
<u>General Use - (RES-A)</u>					
6	First 600 kWh	\$0.07976	\$0.07976	\$0.00000	0.00%
7	Next 400 kWh	\$0.07976	\$0.07674	(\$0.00302)	-3.79%
8	All add'l kWh	\$0.07976	\$0.07449	(\$0.00527)	-6.61%
<u>Space Heating - (RES-C)</u>					
9	First 600 kWh	\$0.07183	\$0.07183	\$0.00000	0.00%
10	Next 400 kWh	\$0.07183	\$0.06728	(\$0.00455)	-6.33%
11	All add'l kWh	\$0.06272	\$0.06272	\$0.00000	0.00%
<u>S.H. 2 Meters - (RES-D)</u>					
12	First 600 kWh	\$0.07183	\$0.07183	\$0.00000	0.00%
13	Next 400 kWh	\$0.07183	\$0.06728	(\$0.00455)	-6.33%
14	All add'l kWh	\$0.06272	\$0.06272	\$0.00000	0.00%
15	Separate Space Heating	\$0.06272	\$0.06272	\$0.00000	0.00%
<u>Time of Day - (RTOD)</u>					
16	Summer On-Peak	\$0.16933	\$0.17556	\$0.00623	3.68%
17	Summer Off-Peak	\$0.07082	\$0.07343	\$0.00261	3.69%
18	Winter - All Hours	\$0.07404	\$0.07676	\$0.00272	3.67%
<u>Other Use - (RTOD)</u>					
19	Summer - All kWh	\$0.13784	\$0.12058	(\$0.01726)	-12.52%
20	Winter - All kWh	\$0.10972	\$0.09474	(\$0.01498)	-13.65%

Notes:

1/ Applicable to RES-A, RES-C and RES-D.

KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
 Summary of CURB Illustrative Residential Revenue Increases
 with Inclining Block Summer Rates

Line	Description	Present Revenue (1)	Revised Revenue (2)	Revised Increase	
				Amount (3)	Percent (4)
Residential Service					
1	General Use: RES-A	\$187,470,261	\$207,313,011	\$19,842,750	10.58%
2	Space Heating: RES-C	\$67,616,207	\$74,589,481	\$6,973,274	10.31%
3	S.H. 2 Meters: RES-D	<u>\$17,472,172</u>	<u>\$19,235,291</u>	<u>\$1,763,119</u>	10.09%
4	Total Residential	\$272,558,640	\$301,137,783	\$28,579,143	10.49%

Source: CURB rates times class billing determinants.

KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
Summary of Present and Proposed SGS Base Rates -- Secondary Voltage

Line	Description	Present Rates	Proposed Rates	Proposed Increase	
		(1)	(2)	Amount	Percent
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Customer Charge					
1	0-24 kW	\$17.54	\$19.38	\$1.84	10.49%
2	25 kW or above	\$45.84	\$50.65	\$4.81	10.49%
3	Add'l Meter 1/	\$2.07	\$2.50	\$0.43	20.77%
4	Unmetered Service	\$7.53	\$8.32	\$0.79	10.49%
Demand Charge					
5	First 25 kW	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.00	-
6	All add'l kW	\$2.702	\$2.986	\$0.28	10.51%
Energy Charge					
<u>Summer</u>					
7	First 180 hours use	\$0.13784	\$0.15231	\$0.01447	10.50%
8	Next 180 hours use	\$0.06053	\$0.06689	\$0.00636	10.51%
9	Over 360 hours use	\$0.05409	\$0.05977	\$0.00568	10.50%
<u>Winter</u>					
<u>General - (SGSS & SSGSU)</u>					
10	First 180 hours use	\$0.10971	\$0.12123	\$0.01152	10.50%
11	Next 180 hours use	\$0.05171	\$0.05714	\$0.00543	10.50%
12	Over 360 hours use	\$0.04077	\$0.04505	\$0.00428	10.50%
<u>All Electric - (SGSSA)</u>					
13	First 180 hours use	\$0.07460	\$0.08243	\$0.00783	10.50%
14	Next 180 hours use	\$0.04527	\$0.05002	\$0.00475	10.49%
15	Over 360 hours use	\$0.03955	\$0.04370	\$0.00415	10.49%
<u>Separate Meter - (SGSSH)</u>					
16	All kWh	\$0.04077	\$0.04370	\$0.00293	7.19%

Notes:

1/ Applicable to customers with separately metered space heating.

KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

Schedule BK-3

CURB Revised Residential Rate Design and Proof of Revenue
Basis: KCPL Requested Revenue Increase

Line	Description	Pro Forma Billing Determinants (1)	Present Rates (2)	Present Revenue (3) = (1)*(2)	CURB Revised Rates (4)	CURB Revised Revenue (5) = (1)*(4)	Percentage Change in Revenues (6) = (5)/(3)
Customer Charge							
1	One Meter	2,446,463	\$10.71	\$26,201,618	\$11.33	\$27,718,425	5.79%
2	Two Meters	150,558	\$10.71	\$1,612,477	\$11.33	\$1,705,823	5.79%
3	Time of Day	670	\$15.13	\$10,137	\$23.00	\$15,410	52.02%
4	Subtotal	2,597,691		\$27,824,232		\$29,439,658	5.81%
Energy Charge							
<u>Summer</u>							
5	First 1,000 kWh	751,378,166	\$0.10331	\$77,624,878	\$0.12035	\$90,428,362	16.49%
6	All add'l kWh	419,432,086	\$0.10331	\$43,331,529	\$0.12035	\$50,478,652	16.49%
7	Manual Bills	92,736		\$9,581		\$10,585	
8	Subtotal Summer	1,170,902,988		\$120,965,988		\$140,917,599	16.49%
<u>Winter</u>							
<u>General Use - (RES-A)</u>							
9	First 600 kWh	605,734,344	\$0.07976	\$48,313,371	\$0.08361	\$50,645,448	4.83%
10	Next 400 kWh	199,396,444	\$0.07976	\$15,903,860	\$0.08361	\$16,671,537	4.83%
11	All add'l kWh	183,411,665	\$0.07976	\$14,628,914	\$0.08361	\$15,335,049	4.83%
12	Manual Bills	120,032		\$11,185		\$12,357	
13	Subtotal RES-A	988,662,484		\$78,857,330		\$82,664,391	4.83%
<u>Space Heating - (RES-C)</u>							
14	First 600 kWh	217,860,087	\$0.07183	\$15,648,890	\$0.07696	\$16,766,512	7.14%
15	Next 400 kWh	101,692,687	\$0.07183	\$7,304,586	\$0.07696	\$7,826,269	7.14%
16	All add'l kWh	191,028,224	\$0.06272	\$11,981,290	\$0.06720	\$12,837,097	7.14%
17	Manual Bills	158,461		\$11,667		\$12,890	
18	Subtotal RES-C	510,739,459		\$34,946,433		\$37,442,768	7.14%
<u>S.H. 2 Meters - (RES-D)</u>							
19	First 600 kWh	41,329,729	\$0.07183	\$2,968,714	\$0.07696	\$3,180,736	7.14%
20	Next 400 kWh	9,850,207	\$0.07183	\$707,540	\$0.07696	\$758,072	7.14%
21	All add'l kWh	8,919,422	\$0.06272	\$559,426	\$0.06720	\$599,385	7.14%
22	Separate Space Heating	91,525,840	\$0.06272	\$5,740,501	\$0.06720	\$6,150,536	7.14%
23	Manual Bills	32,198		\$2,210		\$2,442	
24	Subtotal RES-D	151,657,395		\$9,978,391		\$10,691,171	7.14%
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25	Summer - all kWh	17,854	\$0.13784	\$2,461	\$0.12058	\$2,153	-12.52%
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27	Subtotal RES-D	83,457		\$9,659		\$8,368	-13.37%
<u>Time of Day - (RTOD)</u>							
28	Summer - On-Peak	79,812	\$0.16933	\$13,515	\$0.17556	\$14,012	3.68%
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Workpapers &
CURB DR 151

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