

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations) File No. ER-2016-0156
Company's Request for Authority to Implement a)
General Rate Increase for Electric Service) Tracking No. YE-2016-0223

ORDER SUSPENDING TIMELINE FOR RESRAM PRUDENCE REVIEW AND DIRECTING NOTICE

Issue Date: March 14, 2016

Effective Date: March 14, 2016

In File No. EO-2014-0151¹ ("earlier action"), the Commission approved a renewable energy standard rate adjustment mechanism ("RESRAM") for KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's ("GMO") by tariff.² That tariff provides, and the Commission's regulations allow,³ a prudence review of GMO's RESRAM in any general rate action. This general rate action began when GMO filed tariffs and an application for a general rate increase. Accordingly, Staff filed the pending motion ("the motion").⁴

The motion gives notice that Staff is starting its prudence review of GMO's RESRAM as the Commission's regulations require.⁵ The motion asks the Commission to serve the motion on all parties in the earlier action so that such parties have notice of the prudence review and may seek intervention.⁶ The Commission will grant that request.

¹ File No. EO-2014-0151 *In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Application for Authority to Establish a Renewable Energy Standard Rate Adjustment Mechanism*, Electronic Filing Information System ("EFIS") No. 55 (November 18, 2014) *Order Approving Tariff Filing In Compliance With Commission Order*. All other citations to EFIS refer to this File No. ER-2016-0156

² Tariff Tracking No. JE-2009-0312, P.S.C. MO. No. 1, Original Sheet No. 137.2.

³ 4 CSR 240-20.100(6)(A)11.

⁴ EFIS No. 47 (March 10, 2016) *Staff's Notice of Start of First RESRAM Prudence Audit and Motion for Variance from Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-20.100(6)26.B*.

⁵ 4 CSR 240-20.100(6)(A)26.B.

⁶ 4 CSR 240-20.100(6)(A)20.

The motion also gives notice that Staff intends to offer the results of the prudence review in this action.⁷ For that reason, the motion asks the Commission to suspend the timeline that the regulations prescribe for a stand-alone RESRAM prudence review.⁸ The Commission's regulations allow suspension of the timeline to conduct discovery or for other good cause.⁹ Good cause means a good faith request for reasonable relief.¹⁰ The Commission will grant that request.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The motion described in the body of this order ("motion") is granted and the timeline described in the body of this order is suspended.
2. The Commission's Data Center shall serve a copy of the motion on all parties to the action in File No. EO-2014-0151.
3. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Daniel Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 14th day of March, 2016.

⁷ 4 CSR 240-20.100(6)(A)11.

⁸ 4 CSR 240-20.100(6)(A)26.B.

⁹ 4 CSR 240-20.100(6)(A)26.B(I).

¹⁰ *American Family Ins. Co. v. Hilden*, 936 S.W.2d 207, 210 (Mo. App., W.D. 1996).