

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in St. Louis on the 30th day of
October, 2013.

In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Application for Authorization to Suspend Payment of Certain Solar Rebates)))	<u>File No. ET-2014-0059</u> Tariff No. JE-2014-0112
In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Application for Authorization to Suspend Payment of Certain Solar Rebates)))	<u>File No. ET-2014-0071</u> Tariff No. JE-2014-0120

ORDER APPROVING STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

Issue Date: October 30, 2013

Effective Date: November 10, 2013

On September 4, 2013, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("GMO") filed the above-referenced application and tariff in File No. ET-2014-0059.¹ On September 10, 2013, Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCP&L") filed the above-referenced application and tariff in File No. ET-2014-0071.

On October 3, KCP&L, GMO, the Staff of the Commission ("Staff"), the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC"), The Missouri Division of Energy ("MDOE"), Earth Island Institute d/b/a Renew Missouri ("Renew Missouri"), Missouri Solar Energy Industry Association ("MOSEIA"), Brightergy, LLC ("Brightergy"), and Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers ("MIEC") filed a Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement ("Stipulation"). The Commission held an on-the-record presentation on the Stipulation on October 23.

¹ Calendar references are to 2013 unless otherwise noted.

The signatories agree on the specified level that both KCP&L and GMO must reach in payment of solar rebates before they are allowed to suspend such payments. Upon Commission approval of this agreement, KCP&L and GMO agree to withdraw their tariff sheets and further agree to file tariff sheets to implement the Stipulation. The signatories further agree to work to resolve how to calculate the one percent Retail Rate Impact (“RRI”) in a rulemaking proceeding. Further, the signatories agree that solar rebate amounts paid and other RES compliance costs borne by KCP&L and GMO shall be included in regulatory assets to be considered for recovery in rates, either in a general rate case or an approved Renewable Energy Standard Rate Adjustment Mechanism (“RESRAM”).

The Stipulation was not signed by Wind on the Wires or by Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri. But the Stipulation further stated that the non-signatories do not oppose the stipulation, and do not request a hearing.

The Commission has the legal authority to accept a stipulation and agreement to resolve a case.² The Commission notes that “[e]very decision and order in a contested case shall be in writing and, except in default cases or cases disposed of by stipulation, consent order or agreed settlement . . . shall include . . . findings of fact and conclusions of law.”³ Consequently, the Commission need not make findings of fact or conclusions of law in this order.

If no party objects to a stipulation and agreement, the Commission may treat the Agreement as unanimous.⁴ Because all parties have either signed the Stipulation, or stated that they do not oppose the agreement, the Commission will treat the Stipulation as unanimous.

² See Section 536.060, RSMo 2000.

³ Section 536.090, RSMo 2000.

⁴ 4 CSR 240-2-115(2)(C).

The Commission has reviewed the application and the Stipulation. The Commission independently finds and concludes that the Stipulation is a reasonable resolution of these cases. Thus, the Commission will approve it.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement, which is attached as Exhibit A, is approved, and its signatories are ordered to comply with its terms.
2. This order shall become effective on November 10, 2013.



BY THE COMMISSION

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

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

R. Kenney, Chm., Stoll,
W. Kenney, and Hall, CC., concur.

Pridgin, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge