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**DIRECT TESTIMONY**

**OF**

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**ON BEHALF OF**

**KCP&L GREATER MISSOURI OPERATIONS COMPANY**

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**OF**  
**BURTON L. CRAWFORD**  
**Case No. ER-2018-0146**

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

2 A: My name is Burton L. Crawford. My business address is 1200 Main, Kansas City,  
3 Missouri 64105.

4 **Q: By whom and in what capacity are you employed?**

5 A: I am employed by Kansas City Power & Light Company (“KCP&L”) as Director, Energy  
6 Resource Management.

7 **Q: On whose behalf are you testifying?**

8 A: I am testifying on behalf of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (“GMO” or  
9 the “Company”).

10 **Q: What are your responsibilities?**

11 A: My responsibilities include managing the Energy Resource Management (“ERM”)   
12 department. Activities of ERM include integrated resource planning, wholesale energy   
13 purchase and sales evaluations, fuel budgeting, renewable energy standards compliance,   
14 and capital project evaluations.

15 **Q: Please describe your education, experience and employment history.**

16 A: I hold a Master of Business Administration from Rockhurst College and a Bachelor of   
17 Science in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Missouri. Within KCP&L, I   
18 have served in various areas including regulatory, economic research, and power   
19 engineering starting in 1988.

1 **Q: Have you previously testified in a proceeding at the Missouri Public Service**  
2 **Commission (“MPSC” or “Commission”) or before any other utility regulatory**  
3 **agency?**

4 A: Yes, I have. I provided testimony to the Commission in prior GMO rate cases and in a  
5 variety of other proceedings. I have also appeared before the Kansas Corporation  
6 Commission (“KCC”) on behalf of KCP&L.

7 **Q: What is the purpose of your testimony?**

8 A: The purpose of my testimony is to describe the level of fuel expense, purchased power  
9 expense and the wholesale sales revenues filed in the Direct Testimony of Company  
10 witness Ronald A. Klote. In addition, I will provide information regarding the  
11 requirements necessary to support the request for continuation of GMO’s Fuel  
12 Adjustment Clause (“FAC”). I specifically address all or a portion of the requirements of  
13 4 CSR 240-3.161(3) (P), (Q), (R) and (S).

14 In addition, this testimony supports the Company’s request for the inclusion of  
15 certain transmission service related costs associated with the Crossroads Energy Center  
16 (“Crossroads”).

17 **I. ENERGY PRICE FORECASTS**

18 **Q: Please describe how GMO forecasts electricity prices?**

19 A: GMO utilizes the MIDAS™ model, which is similar to other fundamental price  
20 forecasting models that are commonly used in the industry. MIDAS™ is provided by  
21 Ventyx (formerly Global Energy). The Transact Analyst™ component of MIDAS™  
22 generates regional prices by modeling power flows within and between various energy  
23 markets, transaction areas, North American Electric Reliability Corporation (“NERC”)

1 Sub-Regions, and NERC Regions. Power flows are determined based on the relative  
2 loads, resources, marginal costs, transactions costs, and intertie limits between the areas  
3 or regions. Transactions occur on an hourly basis for 8,760 hours per year.

4 **Q: What are the primary inputs to the model?**

5 A: The model utilizes a sizeable input dataset, referred to as the National Database. It is  
6 populated with assumptions about market supply, demand, and transmission. The bulk of  
7 the input assumptions use Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Form 1 data, Energy  
8 Information Administration 411 reports, and Continuous Emissions Monitoring system  
9 data compiled by the Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”), as their sources. The  
10 demand data includes projected hourly demand for virtually every utility in the Eastern  
11 Interconnect. The supply data contains a representation of all generating units within  
12 those utilities: capacity, heat rate, fuel type, variable operations and maintenance costs,  
13 outage rates, emissions rates, start-up costs, etc. Fuel costs may also be tied to individual  
14 units based on reported costs. This applies primarily in the case of nuclear and coal units,  
15 whose fuel costs would not be tied to a national commodity price such as is the case with  
16 natural gas or fuel oil. The other primary inputs are: natural gas prices, natural gas basis  
17 adders, fuel oil prices, and emission allowance prices. These inputs are more “global” in  
18 nature, meaning they are not tied to specific units. The dataset also includes transmission  
19 constraints between the areas. Ventyx, the provider of the National Database, arrives at  
20 the constraints through their analyses of regional assessments from the various regional  
21 entities affiliated with the NERC.

1 **Q: How does the model use this data to forecast power prices?**

2 A: The model performs an hourly chronological dispatch of all generation resources to meet  
3 projected hourly demand in each region, as defined in the model's geographic topology.  
4 For each hour, the last generator needed to meet demand is identified as the marginal  
5 unit. All of the costs associated with dispatching the marginal unit become the basis for  
6 the price in that hour in that region.

7 **Q: Is this done for only one region?**

8 A: No. Our market simulations model most of the Eastern Interconnect. As a result, the unit  
9 identified as marginal may be dispatched in order to serve load in a neighboring region.  
10 The model will perform transactions between regions, as long as adequate transmission  
11 capacity still exists. If transmission becomes constrained between regions before all of  
12 the economical transactions have been completed, the model's bidding logic will arrive at  
13 an appropriate price spread between the two regions.

14 **Q: What is your opinion of the resulting forecasts?**

15 A: The fundamental supply and demand data are relatively good. That is, the demand  
16 forecast from utilities and the existing public data on installed generation capacity are  
17 sufficiently reliable, so that identifying a reasonable unit to base an hourly price on is  
18 something that can be done with a reasonable degree of confidence. The input  
19 assumption that creates a larger challenge is fuel price. In GMO's market area, the  
20 market price is frequently set by one of two fuels: coal or natural gas. Primarily, it is  
21 natural gas. Fuel oil might set the price of power in a very small number of hours in  
22 some years in the North region of the Southwest Power Pool ("SPP"). Wind generation  
23 is showing an increasing number of hours as the marginal resource in SPP.

1 **Q: How difficult is it to predict the price of coal and natural gas?**

2 A: Coal prices are relatively less volatile and the model inputs are based on actual reported  
3 fuel costs, so the impact of coal on power prices can be forecast with relative accuracy  
4 when coal is the marginal fuel. Natural gas prices are much more volatile and difficult to  
5 predict.

6 **Q: How accurate are the power price forecasts?**

7 A: The power price forecasts are relatively accurate when the fuel price forecasts are  
8 accurate, more specifically, when the natural gas price forecast is accurate. Natural gas is  
9 the marginal fuel in SPP more than 50% of the hours in a year, so there is a strong  
10 correlation between natural gas and power in those hours. Schedule BLC-1 (HC) shows  
11 how closely GMO's power price forecast tracked prices that we observed in the SPP  
12 market. It is a backcast of December 2016 through November 2017 using the average  
13 spot gas price for each month. It is worth noting that in the modeling GMO uses one gas  
14 price for each month of the forecast period, although, in reality, the gas price can change  
15 every day. To the extent that gas prices were more volatile intra-month, that would affect  
16 our ability to track actual market prices with our backcast. Schedule BLC-2 illustrates  
17 the monthly volatility of natural gas from December 2016 through November 2017. In  
18 addition to intra-month gas prices, hourly demand would influence our backcast versus  
19 the actual market.

20 **Q: How are these market prices used in this case?**

21 A: These market prices are used to normalize fuel expense, purchased power and wholesale  
22 sales.

1 **II. FUEL, PURCHASED POWER AND OFF-SYSTEM SALES NORMALIZATION**

2 **Q: What method for normalizing the test year fuel cost, purchased power cost and off-**  
3 **system sales did you use in this case?**

4 A: The proper method for normalizing the test year fuel, purchased power and off-system  
5 sales is to normalize and annualize the system peak and energy, wholesale market prices,  
6 the prices paid for fuel, generating system maintenance and forced outages, and available  
7 generating resources. After determining the appropriate normalized and annualized  
8 values, a production cost computer modeling tool is used to develop the appropriate  
9 generation and purchased power levels, and resulting fuel cost, purchased power cost and  
10 off-system sales revenues. GMO used the MIDAS™ model for its production cost  
11 model.

12 **Q: Please describe the MIDAS™ model used in this normalization.**

13 A: This is the same modeling software used to generate the market price forecasts described  
14 previously. For purposes of running the production cost modeling used in this  
15 normalization, the model was run in “Price Mode” which means that the user inputs the  
16 market prices into the model, rather than using the model to generate the prices. The  
17 prices input into the model were the prices generated by the previously described price  
18 forecasting process. The model performs an economic dispatch of the Company’s  
19 generating units against these market prices to make sales to the integrated marketplace  
20 when it is economic to do so. The Company uses this model for various purposes, such  
21 as generating market price forecasts, long-term resource planning decisions, fuel and  
22 interchange budgeting, purchase and sales analysis, and other purposes.

1 **Q: Please describe the normalization of the system requirements for this rate case.**

2 A: GMO's native load was adjusted to reflect weather normalized and annualized customer  
3 growth by the Company's load forecasting personnel. This process is described in more  
4 detail in the Direct Testimony of Company witness Albert R. Bass. This resulted in  
5 revised monthly peak demands and energy requirements, which were input into the  
6 MIDAS™ program. The program distributed the monthly energy requirements on an  
7 hourly basis. The software uses the normalized monthly energy and peaks, and the actual  
8 historical hourly system loads to shape the normalized loads on an hourly basis. The  
9 resulting load shape was then used in the normalized production cost modeling.

10 The Company's wholesale contract customer load was added to the native load to  
11 arrive at the total system requirements.

12 **Q: Please describe these wholesale contract customers.**

13 A: These are capacity and energy sales to WAPA. The revenue for this transaction and the  
14 associated fuel expense is included in Schedule BLC-4 (HC).

15 **Q: Please describe the fuel price normalization.**

16 A: The normalized fuel prices used in the modeling were developed by Company witness  
17 Jessica Tucker and are described in detail in her Direct Testimony. These fuel prices  
18 were input into the model on a plant-specific basis and then were used in the normalized  
19 production cost modeling. The natural gas prices provided by Ms. Tucker were also used  
20 in the process of generating wholesale energy market prices.

21 **Q: Please describe the maintenance outages normalization.**

22 A: The Company performs scheduled maintenance on the base load generating units on a  
23 cyclical basis over a number of years. That is to say, a specific unit in any given year



1 may have an extended turbine generator outage, a shorter boiler outage, a short inspection  
2 outage or no outage at all. Consequently, in any specific year, there may be higher or  
3 lower scheduled maintenance outages than the long-term average maintenance outages.  
4 In order to normalize the availability of the generating resources for the test year, we  
5 computed the total number of weeks that a unit would be scheduled for maintenance over  
6 the cycle and averaged this amount by the number of years in the maintenance cycle.  
7 These normalized maintenance outage assumptions were then spread over the test year to  
8 develop a test year maintenance schedule. These outages were scheduled so that no two  
9 units would be out at the same time and that all the base load generating resources would  
10 be available during the peak load periods of June through September. Schedule BLC-3  
11 (HC) contains the maintenance schedule that was used for the normalization.

12 **Q: Please describe the generating resources available capacity normalization.**

13 A: The generating resources available in the rate case modeling are the same as the  
14 Company's existing resources with adjustments made to normalize the capacity to the  
15 levels that are expected to be in place and operational as of the true-up date in this case.

16 **Q: Were there any other adjustments to the test year generating resources?**

17 A: Yes. Sibley Unit 1 was removed from the model.

18 **Q: Why was this change to Sibley Unit 1 made?**

19 A: As a result of current and projected environmental regulations, the Company's IRP  
20 determined that it was more economic for customers to retire the unit from service and as  
21 such, Sibley Unit 1 was retired from electric service as of June 1, 2017. The Sibley Unit  
22 1 boiler has remained in service to provide start-up steam to Sibley Unit 3.

1 **Q: How was the generation from renewable resources modeled in this rate case?**

2 A: Wind generation has been included in the modeling as purchased power agreements from  
3 resources that are operating and under contract (Gray County, Ensign, Osborn and Rock  
4 Creek). The generation levels and energy prices are based upon signed contracts and  
5 operating history. Generation from the St. Joseph Landfill Gas facility has also been  
6 included based on operating history. This is a Company-owned resource. Generation  
7 purchased from the State Fair Landfill Gas facility made under a purchased power  
8 agreement are also included based on operating history and contracted prices.  
9 Generation from GMO's owned Greenwood Solar facility was included as well based on  
10 projected normal generation levels.

11 **Q: How accurate are the results of this modeling?**

12 A: After making the normalization adjustments described previously, we believe that the  
13 results of this modeling should likewise result in reasonably accurate results.

14 **Q: What is the SPP Integrated Marketplace ("IM")?**

15 A: The SPP IM is comprised of the day-ahead market, real-time balancing market, and  
16 congesting hedging markets, and allows SPP to decide which generators should operate  
17 one day ahead of time. By allowing SPP to monitor energy costs from multiple sources,  
18 the SPP IM is intended to improve grid reliability, regional balancing of supply and  
19 demand, and cost-effectiveness. The SPP IM replaced SPP's Energy Imbalance Service  
20 Market, which was in operation since 2007.

21 **Q: How does the SPP IM impact GMO's fuel and purchased power modeling?**

22 A: Prior to the SPP IM, GMO generation was first dispatched to meet GMO native load  
23 obligations with any excess economic generation going to off-system sales. When

1 wholesale market prices were such that it was economic to purchase power to meet a  
2 portion of GMO's native load obligations instead of using GMO generating resources,  
3 wholesale purchases were made.

4 Under the SPP IM, GMO now sells all energy generated to the SPP market and  
5 purchases all native load requirements from the SPP market. This significantly increases  
6 the amount of both wholesale sales and purchases. The production cost modeling  
7 performed for this case emulates the operations of the SPP-IM.

8 **Q: For the test period, what revenue and expense items, if any, were adjusted as a**  
9 **result of normalizing fuel cost, purchased power costs and off-system sales?**

10 A: Adjustments were made to the fuel costs to reflect both the normalized fuel market and  
11 normalized generation levels. Also, purchased power expense was adjusted to reflect the  
12 changes in the quantity of energy purchased and the price of such purchases. Finally,  
13 bulk power sales were adjusted to reflect the changes in the quantity of capacity and  
14 energy sold and the price of such sales. Schedule BLC-4 (HC) shows the generation  
15 levels by resource type and the purchased power levels, the costs of each, and the  
16 revenues from the wholesale contract customers. The adjustments are reflected in  
17 Schedule RAK-4, attached to the Direct Testimony of Company witness Ronald A. Klote  
18 (adjustments CS-24 and 25).

19 **III. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE NORMALIZED FUEL, PURCHASED POWER and**  
20 **WHOLESALE SALES RESULTS**

21 **Q: Does GMO propose any adjustments to the MIDAS™ model results?**

22 A: Yes. Adjustments are made for ancillary services purchases/sales, line loss payments  
23 related to the Missouri Iowa Nebraska Transmission (MINT) line, and SPP Revenue  
24 Neutrality Uplift ("RNU").

1 **Q: What are ancillary services purchases and sales?**

2 A: As a participant in the SPP IM, GMO is obligated to provide or procure certain ancillary  
3 services. These services include spinning, supplemental and regulating reserves. GMO  
4 purchases its SPP-specified ancillary service from the SPP-operated ancillary service  
5 market.

6 In addition, GMO has the opportunity to sell these ancillary services in the SPP-  
7 operated market.

8 **Q: What amount of ancillary services purchases and sales has GMO included in this**  
9 **case?**

10 A: The amount of ancillary service purchases and sales included in this case is based on the  
11 12-months ending September 2017 actual costs and revenues incurred by GMO. These  
12 values will be updated to actual amounts for the most recent 12 months at the time of  
13 true-up.

14 **Q: What are the MINT line loss payments?**

15 A: These are payments made to Associated Electric Cooperative (AEC) for transmission  
16 losses on the MINT line. AEC provides coverage of the losses in-kind and the Company  
17 reimburses them for its share.

18 **Q: What amount of MINT line loss payments has KCP&L included in this case?**

19 A: The line loss payments included in this case is based on the actual payments for the  
20 twelve months ending September, 2017. These values will be updated to the actual  
21 amounts for the most recent 12 months at true-up.

1 **Q: What are SPP's RNU charges?**

2 A: As a participant in the SPP IM, there are a number of miscellaneous charges and credits  
3 incurred in order for SPP to remain revenue neutral. These charges and credits include  
4 items such as rounding errors and inadvertent interchange costs or revenue, and make up  
5 the RNU charges. RNU is distributed among the market participants as either a debit (if  
6 SPP is short of funds to balance payments between participants) or a credit (if SPP has  
7 collected more than needed to balance payments between participants).

8 **Q: Why is it appropriate that GMO include net RNU charges in its calculation of**  
9 **revenue requirements?**

10 A: As a participant in the SPP IM, GMO is exposed to RNU charges and credits. These  
11 charges and credits are not included in the model used by the Company to calculate fuel  
12 and purchased power costs. As such, the net SPP RNU charges have been included as an  
13 adjustment to GMO's model results. Absent this adjustment, RNU-related charges and  
14 credits would not otherwise be reflected in the Company's retail cost of service.

15 **Q: What is the basis of the net SPP RNU charge amount included in this case?**

16 A: The RNU charges included in this case are based on the actual 12-months ending  
17 September 2017 net SPP RNU charges. This adjustment is shown in Schedule BLC-4  
18 (HC). This RNU amount will be updated at the true-up in this case.

1 **IV. ELECTRIC UTILITY FUEL AND PURCHASED POWER COST RECOVERY**  
2 **MECHANISM**

3 **Q: In regard to GMO’s request for continued use of an FAC, which portions of the**  
4 **Electric Utility Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Mechanism filing**  
5 **requirements are you addressing in your testimony?**

6 A: I will address all or portions of 4 CSR 240-3.161(3) (P), (Q), (R) and (S). Requirement  
7 (P) addresses the projected generation and Demand Side Management (“DSM”) dispatch  
8 over the next four years, requirement (Q) addresses heat rate test results, requirement (R)  
9 addresses the long-term resource planning process, and requirement (S) addresses  
10 forecasted environmental investments.

11 **Q: Please describe your support for compliance with 4 CSR 240-3.161(3) (P).**

12 A: 4 CSR-3.161(3) (P) requires the Company to provide:

13 The supply-side and demand-side resources that the electric utility expects  
14 to use to meet its loads in the next four (4) true-up years, the expected  
15 dispatch of those resources, the reasons why these resources are  
16 appropriate for dispatch and the heat rates and fuel types for each supply-  
17 side resource; in submitting this information, it is recognized that supply-  
18 and demand-side resources and dispatch may change during the next four  
19 (4) true-up years based upon changing circumstances and parties will have  
20 the opportunity to comment on this information after it is filed by the  
21 electric utility;

22 The expected resource dispatch levels for the next four true up years and fuel  
23 types can be found in Schedule BLC-5 (HC).

24 **Q: Why are these resources appropriate for dispatch?**

25 A: The resources shown in Schedule BLC-5 (HC) include those resources owned or under  
26 contract. These resources are dispatched on an economic basis. This means the lowest  
27 cost resources are generally dispatched before higher cost resources. The expected

1 resource dispatch levels shown in Schedule BLC-5 (HC) are based on an economic  
2 dispatch.

3 **Q: Has GMO supplied the heat rate test results for its generating units required per 4**  
4 **CSR 240-3.161(3) (Q)?**

5 A: Yes. Heat rate test results conducted within the previous 24 months are provided in  
6 Schedule BLC-6 (HC).

7 **Q: Please provide your support for 4 CSR-3.161(3) (R).**

8 A: 4 CSR-3.161(3) (R) requires the Company to provide:

9 Information that shows that the electric utility has in place a long-term  
10 resource planning process, important objectives of which are to minimize  
11 overall delivered energy costs and provide reliable service; ....

12 GMO has a long-term resource planning process in place. The electric utility resource  
13 plan produced by the process is also known as an integrated resource plan (“IRP”). An  
14 objective of this planning process is to identify the least cost and preferred resource plans  
15 while maintaining adequate capacity reserves for reliability.

16 **Q: When was GMO’s last IRP prepared?**

17 A: GMO prepared and filed its latest IRP update report in June 2017 in Case No. EO-2017-  
18 0230. The Commission closed the file on August 11, 2017.

19 **Q: When will the next GMO IRP be prepared?**

20 A: Under the current IRP rule, the next GMO IRP is to be filed in April 2018. This will be a  
21 triennial filing.

22 **Q: Please provide your support for 4 CSR 3.161(3) (S).**

23 A: 4 CSR 3.161(3) (S) states:

24 If emission allowance costs or sales margins are included in the RAM  
25 request and not in the electric utility’s environmental cost recovery

1 surcharge, a complete explanation of forecasted environmental  
2 investments and allowance purchase and sales;

3 At this time, GMO has no forecasted environmental investments that would impact  
4 emission allowance costs or sales margins.

5 The forecasted emission allowance purchases required by 4 CSR 3.161(3) (S) can  
6 be found in the Direct Testimony of Company witness Jessica Tucker.

#### 7 **V. CROSSROADS TRANSMISSION COSTS**

8 **Q: Please summarize your testimony concerning Crossroads.**

9 A: Crossroads is an important part of GMO's supply portfolio. In 2007 when the decision to  
10 add this asset to GMO's supply portfolio was evaluated, it was the lowest cost supply  
11 option for GMO customers. As a result of prior MPSC decisions, GMO does not recover  
12 FERC-approved transmission rates associated with Crossroads. While GMO is not  
13 seeking recovery of transmission costs previously disallowed by the MPSC, GMO is  
14 seeking recovery of the increase in transmission costs above the amount of the original  
15 \$4.9 million disallowance. Additional detail on the unrecovered expense is included in  
16 the Direct Testimony of Company Witness Tim Rush. Entergy's move to MISO  
17 occurred subsequent to the MPSC disallowance of Crossroads transmission service  
18 related costs. Even with this increase in transmission expense, Crossroads remains the  
19 low cost option for GMO customers.

20 **Q: Please briefly describe Crossroads.**

21 A: The Crossroads Energy Center is a 300 MW natural gas-fired peaking facility that is part  
22 of GMO's regulated supply portfolio. It is comprised of four General Electric 7EA  
23 combustion turbines located in Clarksdale Mississippi. The facility was constructed in  
24 2002 and added to the GMO supply portfolio in 2008.



1 Crossroads generates electricity from natural gas that is supplied by pipelines that  
2 are geographically remote from the resources that supply gas to GMO's other gas-fired  
3 generators and provides capacity equivalent to 15% of GMO's 2017 peak load.  
4 Transmission service is currently provided by MISO and SPP. Prior to Entergy joining  
5 MISO, transmission service was provided by Entergy and SPP.

6 When GMO capacity needs were evaluated in 2007, Crossroads was found to be  
7 the lowest cost option for GMO customers, even when the cost of transmission was  
8 considered.

9 **Q: Is Crossroads included as part of GMO's regulated rate base in Missouri?**

10 A: Yes, however the cost of transmission service on the MISO transmission system is not.  
11 This transmission service is required for GMO to count the 300 MWs of Crossroads  
12 capacity towards meeting GMO's capacity obligations. Without this service, GMO  
13 would be required to build or purchase 300 MWs of additional generating capacity and  
14 obtain firm transmission service.

15 **Q: Why does GMO not recover any of the cost of MISO transmission service for  
16 Crossroads?**

17 A: The MPSC disallowed transmission cost recovery in ER-2010-0356. GMO received a  
18 partial rate base disallowance for the cost of Crossroads as well as the disallowance of  
19 transmission service costs.

20 **Q: What was the value of the transmission disallowance?**

21 A: At the time of the MPSC decision in 2010 to disallow transmission cost recovery, the  
22 transmission disallowance was approximately \$4.9 million per year. This was the cost of  
23 transmission on the Entergy system.

1 **Q: What is the current impact of the MPSC's decision to disallow transmission?**

2 A: The forecasted amount for the 12-month period ending June 2018 is approximately \$11.3  
3 million. Additional detail on this unrecovered expense is included in the Direct  
4 Testimony of Company witness Tim Rush.

5 **Q: In 2007 when the capacity needs of GMO were evaluated and Crossroads was**  
6 **identified as the lowest cost option, what was the assumption on transmission costs?**

7 A: In the 2007 evaluation, the Company included \$12 million per year in transmission costs  
8 for the Crossroads option. Even at \$12 million per year, Crossroads was the lowest cost  
9 option for GMO customers.

10 **Q: So what is GMO's request in this case regarding Crossroads?**

11 A: GMO is requesting cost recovery for the increase in transmission costs for Crossroads  
12 above the amount of the original \$4.9 million disallowance in ER-2010-0356. GMO is  
13 not asking to recover the transmission costs previously disallowed by the Commission  
14 nor the Crossroads capital costs previously disallowed by the Commission.

15 **Q: Is the recovery of transmission costs related to an out-of-state generating facility**  
16 **unprecedented in Missouri?**

17 A: No. Like GMO, Empire District Electric has a generating asset (Plum Point) within the  
18 MISO region. Also like GMO, Empire is in SPP so Empire must pay MISO for  
19 transmission service for their generation within MISO. Empire pays the same exact  
20 MISO rate for transmission service as GMO pays to MISO. However, unlike GMO,  
21 Empire has been allowed to recover these transmission service costs.

22 **Q: Does that conclude your testimony?**

23 A: Yes, it does.

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri                    )  
Operations Company's Request for Authority to            )  
Implement A General Rate Increase for Electric         )  
Service    )  
Case No. ER-2018-0146

**AFFIDAVIT OF BURTON L. CRAWFORD**


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**COUNTY OF JACKSON   )**

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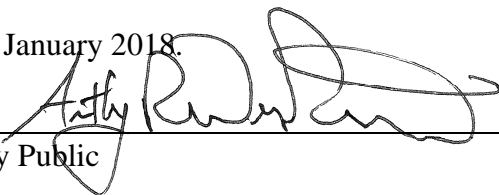
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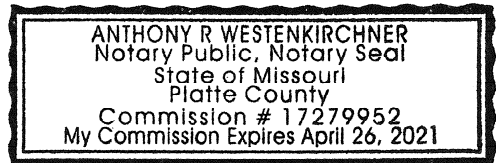
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Burton L. Crawford

Subscribed and sworn before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 2018.

  
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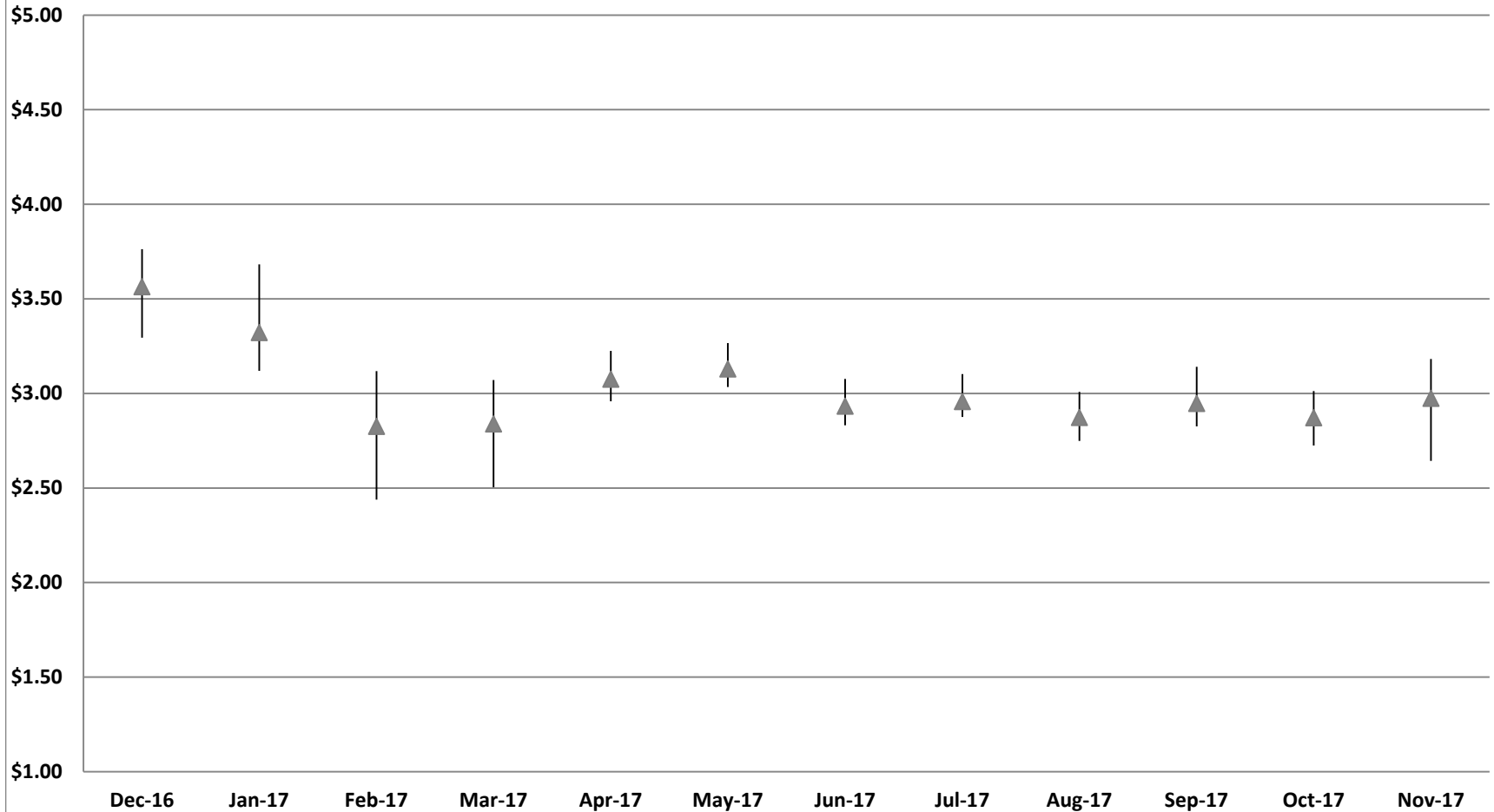
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