

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the 2017 Integrated Resource)
Plan Annual Update for Kansas City Power &) **File No. EO-2017-0229**
Light Company)

**APPLICATION TO INTERVENE OF NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE
COUNCIL**

Comes now the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) and, pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.075, applies to intervene herein and become a party for all purposes in respect to KCP&L's 2017 annual IRP update.

1. NRDC is a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of New York with a Midwest office at 20 North Wacker Drive, Suite 1600, Chicago, IL 60606; contact Ashok Gupta at that address or at 212-243-4351. It has over 4,800 members in Missouri, many of whom are KCP&L ratepayers. NRDC and its members are interested in promoting energy efficiency, peak demand reduction and renewable energy resources to meet Missouri's energy needs. NRDC seeks to intervene in this proceeding in order that its members and others may benefit from well designed and cost-effective energy efficiency programs and renewable resources.

2. NRDC expects issues to arise in this case concerning the proposed level of DSM, the effectiveness of KCP&L's DSM programs so far, the customer benefits and utility costs resulting from demand-side management and distributed renewable energy, and the company's cessation of progress on renewable energy. At this point NRDC does not know what position it will take on the issues in this case.

3. NRDC is not automatically a party since it did not participate in the 2016

update, File No. EO-2016-0232. However, NRDC was a party to KCP&L's triennial IRPs, EO-2012-0323 and EO-2015-0254, as well as KCP&L's MEEIA cases and the recent rate case, ER-2016-0285.

4. NRDC will bring significant expertise to this proceeding. The Staff of NRDC has extensive history with the design and implementation of utility programs and policies designed to deploy energy efficiency and peak demand reduction to benefit the public. NRDC has intervened and/or provided testimony on these issues in public utility commission proceedings in many states, including Illinois, Ohio, Wisconsin, New York, Oregon, Iowa, New Jersey and California. NRDC has regularly presented testimony before the US Congress and various state legislatures related to the electric utility industry's use of energy efficiency resources, rate design, utility planning and other topics relevant to this proceeding.

5. Correspondence, communications, orders and decisions may be sent to the undersigned legal counsel.

6. NRDC has interests different from those of the general public or average ratepayer, which could be adversely affected by the decision in this case.

7. It will serve the public interest for NRDC to be allowed to intervene.

WHEREFORE, NRDC respectfully requests the Public Service Commission to grant this application to intervene.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct PDF version of the foregoing was filed on EFIS and sent by email on this 13th day of June, 2017, to all counsel of record.

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