

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

In the Matter of)	
KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company)	
for Authority to File Tariffs)	<u>File No. HT-2015-0262</u>
Changing the Steam QCA for Service)	Tariff Tracking No. JH-2015-0300
Provided to Customers in its Service Territory)	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TARIFF SHEET

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Service Commission of Missouri and, for its Staff Recommendation to Approve Tariff Sheet, states:

1. On April 15, 2015, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (“GMO”) filed with the Commission one tariff sheet, 24th Revised Sheet No. 6.10 bearing an effective date of June 1, 2015, to add the quarterly cost adjustment (“QCA”) for steam service customers for the first quarter of calendar year 2015.

2. GMO’s filing includes the proposed tariff sheet and supporting workpapers consisting of electronic worksheets showing its calculation of the QCA. The proposed tariff sheet reflects a customer credit per million British Thermal Units (“BTU”) of \$(1.0652)¹ as compared to a customer credit of \$(0.6741) per million BTU reflected on the previous 23rd Revised Sheet No. 6.10. The change resulting from this filing causes more of a customer credit in the QCA Rider rate and is the result of the net effect of:

1) a \$(1,331,487) decrease in the quarterly adjusted fuel costs when compared to the same quarter last year, and

2) the decrease of the Reconciliation Rate (R Factor) component of \$(41,939), which makes the R Factor in this QCA filing more of a negative adjustment when compared to the same quarter last year.

¹ A “(bracketed amount)” represents a credit to the customer. The credit is also sometimes referred to as a “negative charge” as reflected by the brackets. In this instance, the customer will receive a credit in the amount of \$1.0652 per million BTU.

3. As more fully explained in its Memorandum, attached hereto as Appendix A, with supporting Highly Confidential Attachments A and B, the Staff has reviewed the data and calculations provided by GMO related to its proposed tariff sheet and has determined that it is correct and satisfies the standards set forth in GMO's Tariff Sheet Nos. 6.6 through 6.10.

4. Staff is not aware of any other matter pending before the Commission that affects or is affected by this tariff filing. Staff's recommendation for approval of the QCA change in this case is solely based on the accuracy of GMO's calculations and is not indicative of the prudence of the fuel costs included in the QCA.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons discussed above and in Staff's Memorandum, the Staff recommends the Commission either issue an order approving the proposed tariff sheet as filed by GMO on April 15, 2015, to go into effect June 1, 2015, or to allow it to go into effect by operation of law that same date:

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24th Revised Sheet No. 6.10 Canceling 23rd Revised Sheet No. 6.10

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were served electronically to all counsel of record this **1st day of May, 2015**.

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