BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company for Authority to File Tariffs Changing the Steam QCA for Service Provided to Customers in its Service Territory.

Case No. HT-2013-0456 Tariff No. JH-2013-0448

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TARIFF SHEET

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

1. Only July 15, 2013, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("GMO") filed one tariff sheet

PSC MO. No. 1

17th Revised Sheet No. 6.10, canceling 16th Revised Sheet No. 6.10.

designed to implement in its L&P rate district (in and about St. Joseph, Missouri), effective September 1, 2013, a quarterly cost adjustment to GMO's steam rates based on the second quarter of 2013 (April-June 2013) per the terms of its *Quarterly Cost Adjustment Rider—Steam*, the Commission first approved in Case No. HR-2005-0450, for steam service on and after July 1, 2009, and later modified in Case Nos. HR-2009-0092 and HR-2010-0028.

2. In its Memorandum attached as Appendix A and incorporated by reference, Staff recommends that the Commission approve the proposed tariff sheet because, based on Staff's review of the data and mathematical calculations GMO provided in its workpapers, GMO's calculations related to the proposed tariff sheet are correct, satisfy the standards set forth in GMO's Tariff Sheet Nos. 6.6 through 6.10 and are consistent with its previous steam rates quarterly cost adjustment filings.

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3. Staff has verified that GMO is not delinquent on any assessment, has filed its 2012 annual report, is current on its submission of its Surveillance Monitoring reports as required in 4 CSR 240-20.090(10) and its monthly reports as required by 4 CSR 240-3.161(5), and Staff is not aware of any other matter pending before the Commission that affects or is affected by this tariff filing.

4. Staff's recommendation for approval of the quarterly cost adjustment rate in this case is solely based on the accuracy of GMO's calculations and is not indicative of the prudence of the fuel costs GMO included in calculating that rate.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends that, as GMO requests, the Commission approve the following proposed tariff sheet, as filed on July 15, 2013, to become effective on September 1, 2013:

<u>PSC MO. No. 1</u> 17th Revised Sheet No. 6.10, canceling 16th Revised Sheet No. 6.10.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Nathan Williams</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 14th day of August, 2013.

/s/ Nathan Williams

MEMORANDUM

- TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File Case No. HT-2013-0456, Tariff Tracking No. JH-2013-0448 KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company
- FROM: Randy Gross, Utility Regulatory Engineer I Matthew Barnes, Utility Regulatory Auditor IV

/s/ John Rogers 8/14/2013/s/ Nathan Williams 8/14/2013Energy Resource Analysis Unit / DateStaff Counsel Division / Date

- SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation for **Approval** of Tariff Sheet Filed To Add The Quarterly Cost Adjustment For The Second Quarter Of 2013 To The Quarterly Cost Adjustment Rider - Steam of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company
- DATE: August 14, 2013

On July 15, 2013, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("GMO") filed with the Commission one (1) tariff sheet for steam service bearing an issue date of July 15, 2013, and an effective date of September 1, 2013, to add the quarterly cost adjustment ("QCA") for the second quarter of 2013. The adjustment is required by GMO's Quarterly Cost Adjustment Rider, which the Commission approved in Case No. HR-2005-0450, for steam service on and after July 1, 2009, and subsequently modified in Case Nos. HR-2009-0092 and HR-2010-0028.

GMO's filing included the proposed tariff sheet and work papers consisting of electronic worksheets showing its calculation of the QCA for the second quarter of 2013.

The procedure for the calculation of the QCA for steam service sales occurring on and after July 1, 2009, is set out in GMO's Tariff Sheet Nos. 6.6 through 6.10, which are entitled "Quarterly Cost Adjustment Rider – Steam."

Staff reviewed the data and mathematical calculations GMO provided in its workpapers, and found both GMO's calculations related to the filed tariff sheet are correct and that they satisfy the standards set forth in GMO's Tariff Sheet Nos. 6.6 through 6.10. The calculations are also consistent with previous GMO QCA filings.

Staff therefore recommends that the Commission **approve** the following proposed tariff sheet, as filed on July 15, 2013, to become effective on September 1, 2013, as requested by GMO.

<u>P.S.C. MO. No. 1</u> 17th Revised Sheet No. 6.10 Canceling 16th Revised Sheet No. 6.10

Staff has verified that GMO is not delinquent on any assessment and has filed its 2012 annual report.

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GMO is current on its submission of its Surveillance Monitoring reports as required in 4 CSR 240-20.090(10) and its monthly reports as required by 4 CSR 240-3.161(5). 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.

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AFFIDAVIT OF MATTHEW J. BARNES

STATE OF MISSOURI) ss **COUNTY OF COLE**

Matthew J. Barnes, of lawful age, on oath states: that he participated in the preparation of the foregoing Staff Recommendation in memorandum form, to be presented in the above case; that the information in the Staff Recommendation was provided to him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such Staff Recommendation: and that such matters are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13^{47} day of August, 2013.

SUSAN L. SUNDERMEYER Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Callaway County My Commission Explres: October 03, 2014 Commission Number: 10942086

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AFFIDAVIT OF RANDY S. GROSS

STATE OF MISSOURI)) ss COUNTY OF COLE)

Randy S. Gross, of lawful age, on oath states: that he participated in the preparation of the foregoing Staff Recommendation in memorandum form, to be presented in the above case; that the information in the Staff Recommendation was provided to him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such Staff Recommendation; and that such matters are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Randy S. Gross

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of August, 2013.

Notary

SUSAN L. SUNDERMEYER Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Callaway County My Commission Expires: October 03, 2014 Commission Number: 10942086