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## **REGULATORY REVIEW**

# **UTILITY SERVICES - AUDITING**

# **DIRECT TESTIMONY**

## OF

# **CARY G. FEATHERSTONE**

# VEOLIA ENERGY KANSAS CITY, INC.

# **CASE NO. HR-2014-0066**

Jefferson City, Missouri May 2014

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4	VEOLIA ENERGY KANSAS CITY, INC.					
5	CASE NO. HR-2014-0066					
6	Q. Please state your name and business address.					
7	A. Cary G. Featherstone, Fletcher Daniels State Office Building,					
8	615 East 13 <sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, Missouri.					
9	Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?					
10	A. I am a Regulatory Auditor V with the Missouri Public Service Commission					
11	("Commission").					
12	CREDENTIALS					
13	Q. Please describe your educational background.					
14	A. I graduated from the University of Missouri at Kansas City in December 1978					
15	with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics. My course work included study in the field of					
16	Accounting and Auditing.					
17	Q. What job duties have you had with the Commission?					
18	A. I have assisted, conducted, and supervised audits and examinations of the					
19	books and records of public utility companies operating within the state of Missouri. I have					
20	participated in examinations of electric, district heating and industrial steam service, natural					
21	gas, water, sewer and telecommunication companies' operations. I have been involved in					
22	cases concerning proposed rate increases, earnings investigations, and complaint cases as well					
23	as cases relating to mergers and acquisitions, and certification cases.					

uditor in the Transportation Division. In November 1979 I transferred to the Utility's ivision as a Public Utility Accountant, and later reclassified to Regulatory Auditor. In 1983			
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became the Office Manager of the Commission's Kansas City Office and had dual			
sponsibilities as one of four Audit Supervisors in the Commission's Accounting			
epartment—later renamed Auditing Department. In May 1991 my job classification was			
named Auditor V which is my current job title. As one of two Auditor Vs located in Kansas			
ity, my responsibilities involve overseeing audits of rate cases primarily on the western side			
of the state and providing managerial oversight in the daily operations of the office. I have			
sponsibilities to plan, direct and oversee the audit activities in cases in which I am assigned.			
Q. Have you previously testified before this Commission?			
A. Yes. Schedule CGF-1, attached to this testimony, is a list of rate cases in			
hich I have submitted testimony. In addition, I also identify in Schedule CGF-1 other cases			
here I directly supervised and assisted Commission Staff ("Staff") in audits of public			
ilities, but where I did not testify.			
Q. With reference to Case No. HR-2014-0066, have you examined and studied the			
ooks and records of Veolia Energy Kansas City, Inc. ("Veolia Kansas City," which I may			
so refer to as "Company") regarding its steam operations?			
A. Yes, with the assistance of other members of the Commission Staff.			
Q. What knowledge, skill, experience, training and education do you have with			
gard to Veolia Kansas City's general rate increase tariff filing that is the subject of			
ase No. HR-2014-0066?			
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1 A. I have acquired knowledge of the ratemaking and regulatory process through 2 my employment with the Commission. I have participated in numerous rate cases, complaint 3 cases, merger and acquisition cases and certificate cases, and filed testimony on a variety of 4 topics. I have also acquired knowledge of these topics through review of Staff work papers 5 from prior rate cases filed before this Commission relating to Veolia Kansas City (the former Trigen Kansas City Energy Company (Trigen)) and its district heating and industrial 6 7 (processed) steam operations. Specifically, as it relates to topics surrounding this case, I have 8 previously examined generation and generation-related topics; conducted and participated in 9 several construction audits involving plant and construction records, specifically the costs of 10 construction projects relating to power plants. I have also been involved in the fuel and 11 fuel-related areas for power plant production of electricity and steam, purchased power and 12 off-system sales of electricity on numerous occasions. I have reviewed all cost components of 13 utility rate structures including corporate costs allocated to various subsidiaries.

I have also been involved in many rate cases including the last several electric, natural
gas and industrial steam rate cases filed by KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company
(under that name and its former name, Aquila, Inc. which was previously called UtiliCorp
United, Inc. (UtiliCorp)), regarding its steam operation associated with the former St. Joseph
Light & Power Company. I have been involved in previous St. Joseph Light & Power
Company rate cases when that company owned and operated the steam operations.

Further, I have been involved in many Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCPL) electric and steam rate cases, specifically in the early 1980's when it operated the steam system in downtown Kansas City prior to its purchase by Trigen Kansas City. I coordinated the construction audit of the Wolf Creek Nuclear rate case, Case No. EO-85-185, wherein the

1 Commission ordered a docket opened to investigate the steam operations of KCPL. The 2 Commission designated that docket as Case No. HO-86-139. I oversaw, coordinated, and 3 directed the Commission Staff's investigation into KCPL's proposal to abandon the central 4 district heating system (downtown Kansas City's steam operations). I was one of the principal 5 witnesses and the primary policy witness presenting Staff's findings and recommendations 6 regarding KCPL's management of the steam operations and the future viability of those 7 operations, the then-current rate structure and the need for rate relief for the steam operations 8 and the proposed abandonment of the steam operations by KCPL.

9 I have been involved with many natural gas rate cases involving Missouri Gas Energy,
10 which is now owned by Laclede Gas Company, and its predecessor companies, the Gas
11 Service Company and KPL Gas Service.

12 For this rate case, I have reviewed the testimony, work papers and responses to data 13 requests from this and past rate cases of Veolia Kansas City that support its general steam 14 tariff filing. I conducted and participated in interviews of Company personnel and consultants 15 relating to this rate case and performed extensive discovery concerning aspects of the 16 construction and operation of Veolia Kansas City's district heating system in Kansas City. 17 Over the years that Veolia Kansas City and its predecessor company, Trigen Kansas City 18 Energy, Inc. (Trigen Kansas City) have operated this steam system, I have been involved in 19 many discussions with the Company regarding Veolia Kansas City's rate case activity, 20 earnings reviews, expansion of its service territory, plant and depreciation matters and 21 merger and sale transactions.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Trigen Kansas City Energy changed its name to Veolia Energy Kansas City, Inc. The Commission approved this name change in File No. HN-2011-0286 dated April 10, 2011.

1 Over the years, I have been involved in numerous discussions and review of the Company's attempt to restate and modify its books and records to comply with the 3 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Uniform System of Accounts (USOA).

4 I have been involved in several Veolia Kansas City (formerly Trigen) applications 5 filed with the Commission since Veolia Kansas City or its predecessor has provided steam 6 service in downtown Kansas City, Missouri.

7 Based on my experience dating back to when KCPL owned and operated the steam 8 system to the present Veolia Kansas City operations, my background allows me to have a 9 perspective into many problems that have played a major role in the difficulties experienced 10 by this utility service in downtown Kansas City.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** 11

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Q. Please summarize your testimony.

13 A. Staff witness Mike Scheperle of the Commission's Utility Operations Division, 14 is sponsor of Staff's Cost of Service Report and supporting Accounting Schedules in this 15 proceeding to be filed concurrently with my testimony and Mr. Scheperle's direct testimony. 16 Staff's Cost of Service supports the recommendation of the amount of the rate revenue 17 increase for Veolia Kansas City based on test year historical information through the period 18 ending June 30, 2013, updated through December 31, 2013. Staff prepared its revenue 19 requirement results based on actual results through December 31, 2013 update period for 20 known and measurable changes. The revenue requirement recommendation being filed for 21 the period ending December 31, 2013 is found in separately filed Accounting Schedules.

22 I present an overview of the results of Staff's review of Veolia Kansas City's revenue 23 requirement stated in response to Veolia Kansas City's general rate increase request made on

1	November 27, 2013. Several members of the Commission's Staff participated in the
2	examination of Veolia Kansas City's books and records for relevant and material components
3	making up the revenue requirement calculation. These components can be broadly defined
4	as: (1) capital structure and return on investment; (2) rate base investment; and (3) income
5	statement results including revenues, operating and maintenance expenses, depreciation
6	expense and the taxes related to Veolia Kansas City's financial results, including
7	income taxes. I provide an overview of Staff's work on each of these broadly defined
8	rate components.

9 Q. Based on its review of the test year ending June 30, 2013 updated through
10 December 31, 2013, what is Staff's recommendation concerning Veolia Kansas City's
11 requested rate increase?

A. Staff recommends that Veolia Kansas City be permitted to increase its steam rates by a range of \$1.5 million to \$1.6 million consistent with the rate of return recommendation using latest information available through December 31, 2013, for the material items affecting the revenue requirement calculation. The rate of return on equity (ROE) range being recommended in this case is 8.50 percent to 9.50 percent as follows:

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<u>Type</u> <u>of</u> <u>Capital</u>	<u>Ratio</u>	<u>Embedded</u> <u>Cost</u>	<u>Weighted Cost of</u> <u>Capital Using</u> <u>Common Equity of</u> <u>8.50%</u>	Weighted Cost of Capital Using Common Equity of 9.00%	<u>Weighted Cost of</u> <u>Capital Using</u> <u>Common Equity</u> <u>of 9.50%</u>
Equity	48%		4.08%	4.32%	4.56%
Debt	52%	5.27%	2.74%	2.74%	2.74%
Total	100%		6.82	7.06%	7.30%

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In this case, Veolia Kansas City has limited its revenue requirement increase request

20 to \$1.0 million, a 14.4 percent overall increase.

1	Q.	Did Veolia Kansas City determine a greater revenue requirement than the					
2	amount the Co	ompany requested in its November 27, 2013 filing?					
3	А.	Yes. While Veolia Kansas City rate request is for \$1.0 million, the Company					
4	calculated an	calculated an overall revenue requirement of \$2.8 million using a June 30, 2013 test year,					
5	updated throu	gh December 31, 2013.					
6	Q.	What are the major drivers for Staff's recommendation for Veolia Kansas					
7	City's revenue	e requirement in this case?					
8	А.	The major drivers are:					
9	•	Rate of return					
10 11	•	Operational costs such as property insurance, maintenance costs, payroll and payroll related costs					
12	•	Plant and depreciation reserve					
13	•	Fuel and fuel related costs					
14	•	Production costs such as water and sewer costs to produce steam					
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These categories have several subsections which identify in detail the
 specific elements of the revenue requirement for Veolia Kansas City.

# 3 OVERVIEW OF VEOLIA ENERGY KANSAS CITY, INC. RATE CASE 4 FILING

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What is the purpose of your direct testimony?

6 A. With Mr. Scheperle, I present an overview of the results of Staff's review of 7 Veolia Kansas City's revenue requirement in response to Veolia Kansas City's general rate 8 increase request made on November 27, 2013. I provide an overview of Staff's work on each 9 component of the revenue requirement calculation Staff used for determining an appropriate 10 revenue requirement for Veolia Kansas City in this case. Mr. Scheperle provides an overview 11 of the work performed by members of the Tariff, Safety, Economic & Engineering Analysis 12 department who contributed to Staff's calculation of Veolia Kansas City's revenue 13 requirement. I identify the work performed by assigned members of the Commission's Utility 14 Services Department who contributed to the revenue requirement. Several members of Staff 15 had specific assignments relating to different components of the revenue requirement 16 calculation for Veolia Kansas City. The members of Staff who contributed to the Staff's Cost 17 of Service Report are identified in the report by the sections for which they are responsible 18 and their credentials are included in an appendix to the report. Results for the different 19 revenue requirement calculation components are contained in Staff's Accounting Schedules. 20 Using historic financial information from Veolia Kansas City's actual operations through the 21 update period ending December 31, 2013 to develop a comprehensive revenue requirement, 22 Staff applied annualization and normalization ratemaking techniques to make adjustments to 23 reflect the costs of its ongoing operations in the future.

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Staff refers to the revenue requirement model as the "Exhibit Modeling System" or "EMS," and refers to the EMS modeling results based on various inputs as "EMS runs." Staff has prepared an estimation of the utility's revenue requirement using the work product of members of the Regulatory Review Division of the Commission. Staff's EMS run results that support its revenue requirement are contained in the Accounting Schedules that are separately being filed as an exhibit in the case. The Accounting Schedules, along with Mr. Scheperle's direct testimony and my direct testimony, and the Staff's Cost of Service Report and supporting schedules present and support Staff's revenue requirement for Veolia Kansas City.

9 Q. Why did Staff review Veolia Kansas City's books and records and calculate a
10 revenue requirement for the Company in this case?

A. On November 27, 2014, Veolia Kansas City filed a general rate increase for its district heating steam system operations. The Commission assigned the filing Case No. HR-2014-0066. Veolia Kansas City filed tariff sheets designed to implement an increase in its steam retail rate revenues, exclusive of gross receipts, sales, franchise or occupational fees or taxes, of approximately \$1.0 million. This represents an overall 14.4% increase to existing Veolia Kansas City steam revenues.

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#### Veolia Energy Kansas City Cost of Capital

equity range of 8.50 percent to 9.25 percent applied to a 48 percent equity capital structure:

Type of Capital	Ratio	Cost of Capital	Weighted Cost of Capital
Common Equity	48%	9.25%	4.44%
Long-term Debt	52%	5.24%	2.72%
Total Capital	100%		7.16%

Veolia Kansas City based its rate increase request on a proposed rate of return on

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Source: Veolia Energy Kansas City witness Stephen G. Hill direct page 4 and Exhibit \_\_ (SGH – 1), Schedule 10

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Q.

- 1 Staff reviewed Veolia Kansas City's books and records and calculated a revenue 2 requirement for the Company to independently evaluate this rate increase request.
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# **BRIEF HISTORY OF VEOLIA ENERGY KANSAS CITY**

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What is Veolia Kansas City?

5 Veolia Kansas City is a regulated entity that produces and distributes steam A. 6 from a central plant for use in heating, hot water, laundry, cooking, and in the production of 7 chilled water. Veolia Kansas City is a Delaware corporation. Veolia Kansas City, as Trigen 8 Kansas City, began providing steam services to downtown Kansas City in March 1990 after 9 its predecessor company, Trigen Energy Corporation, acquired the system from KCPL. 10 KCPL provided district heating steam service to downtown Kansas City customers for 11 decades prior to the purchase by Trigen. In Case No. HM-90-4, the Commission approved 12 the sale transaction between KCPL and Trigen. In Case No. HM-90-5, the Commission 13 granted Trigen a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CCN). The Commission 14 approved both the sale and CCN on December 29, 1989.

Veolia Kansas City produces steam from its Grand Avenue Plant ("Grand Avenue") and distributes the steam product to customers throughout downtown Kansas City (known as the downtown loop) and its largest tariffed customer, Truman Medical Center ("Truman" or "TMC") by way of a series of steam pipes buried underground-the steam distribution system.

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Veolia Kansas City currently serves approximately 52 retail customers, including 21 Veolia Missouri—the affiliated that provides chilled water services to five customers located 22 downtown-- all located in the downtown central district of the City of Kansas City, otherwise

known as the "downtown loop."<sup>2</sup> In addition to the retail customers, Veolia Kansas City also 1 2 sells process steam to two large industrial customers located outside the downtown loop. 3 The Company meters the steam sold to these customers at the Grand Avenue production 4 facility. The results of the two industrial steam operations have been included in the revenue 5 requirement calculation performed for this case.

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Grand Avenue has four boilers that produce steam that is distributed through series 7 of pipes to its retail and industrial customers. The following table shows the boilers at 8 Grand Avenue:

Boiler	Date Installation	<b><u>Fuel Source</u></b>
1 A	1969	Natural Gas & Fuel Oil
6	1944	Coal & Natural Gas
8	1948	Coal & Natural Gas
7	1950	Natural Gas & Fuel Oil

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[Source: Data Request 57]

10 The total steam production capacity at Grand Avenue is 1.2 million pounds of steam per hour

11 (source: 2011 FERC Form 1, page 402, line 5).

Veolia Energy Missouri (Veolia Missouri) is a non-regulated affiliate of Veolia

13 Kansas City providing chilled water service in the central downtown district of Kansas City.

#### 14 STAFF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOUND IN COST OF SERVICE **REPORT AND ACCOUNTING SCHEDULES** 15

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How did Staff conduct its audit of Veolia Kansas City?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The downtown KC area is no longer served by a true "loop." In the construction of the Sprint Arena, a steam pipe was truncated in Case No. HC-2005-0331.

1	A. Staff interviewed Veolia Kansas City personnel and its outside consultants.
2	Staff reviewed Veolia's responses to data requests issued in this and other cases. Staff
3	reviewed the minutes of meetings of Thermal Source North America and its affiliated
4	companies' [the Veolia Companies] Boards of Directors. Staff relied on the books and
5	records of the Company including: the general ledger, plant ledgers and various other
6	documents, including the FERC Form 1s for the last several years. Staff toured plant
7	facilities, including the Grand Avenue production plant facility and, in past rate cases, the new
8	pipeline supplying steam service to Veolia Kansas City's newest customer,
9	Truman Medical Center, which commenced taking steam service on June 16, 2008, and the
10	pipeline serving one of its largest customers, Cargill, Incorporated.
11	Q. Which members of Staff were assigned to this case?
12	A. Several Staff witness experts from the Regulatory Review Division were
13	assigned to this case. Their names follow with a brief description of their contribution to the
14	Staff's Cost of Service Report:
15	Utility Services Department
16	Financial Analysis Unit
17	Shana Atkinson – Rate of Return and Capital Structure.
18	Engineering and Management Services Unit
19	Arthur Rice – Depreciation Rates and Depreciation Over-accrual.
20	Auditing Unit
21	Cary G. Featherstone – Overall Revenue Requirement Results.
22 23 24	Bill Harris – Plant in Service, Accumulated Depreciation Reserve, Depreciation Expense, Operation and Maintenance Expense – Non-wage.
25	Karen Lyons – Fuel Expense and Fuel Inventories.

1	Keith Majors – Revenues, Allocation of Corporate Costs and Income Taxes.
2 3 4	Matthew Young – Material and Supplies, Prepayments, Payroll, Payroll Related Benefits, Payroll Taxes, Rate Case and Outside Services Expenses.
5	Additionally, Commission Staff experts from the Utility Operations Division were
6	assigned to the development of the revenue requirement as follows:
7	Tariff, Safety, Economic & Engineering Analysis (TSEEA) Department
8	Mike Scheperle—Overall Revenue Requirement Results
9	Brad Fortson – Revenues by Class
10	Robin Kliethermes – Revenues.
11	Seoung Joun Won – Weather Normalization.
12	Each of these experts' work product was used as a direct input to the various
13	adjustments contained in Staff's Accounting Schedules and revenue requirement
14	recommendation.
15	Q. Please provide an overview of how Staff assigned to this case worked together
16	to arrive at Staff's revenue requirement recommendation.
17	A. All of the Staff members assigned to this case are, by education, training and
18	experience, experts at performing their regulatory responsibilities as members of the
19	Commission Staff. These regulatory experts rely on the work of each other to develop Staff
20	revenue requirement recommendations regarding filings public utilities make before the
21	Commission. The work of each Staff member is an integral part of the Staff's Cost of Service
22	Report, including Accounting Schedules, which contain the results of their collective efforts
23	in Staff's findings and recommendations. Mr. Scheperle and I relied on these findings and
24	recommendations to develop the ultimate recommendations in this direct filing. Many of the

1 individual sections presented include references indicating reliance on the work of other 2 contributing experts.

3 Mr. Scheperle and I relied on the work product of every Staff expert assigned to this 4 case. Each Staff expert provided the results of their review and analysis as inputs to the 5 revenue requirement calculation and each witness is identified by report section. Affidavits, 6 credentials and qualifications of each Staff expert are included in the Report attached as 7 Schedule 1. Each Staff expert assigned to the Veolia Kansas City rate case will provide work 8 papers supporting the findings and recommendations to the Company and to other parties as 9 the Commission has ordered in setting the case procedural schedule. Finally, each Staff 10 expert assigned to this rate case will be available to answer Commissioner questions and to be 11 cross-examined by any party who wishes to conduct cross-examination regarding information 12 on how Staff's findings and recommendations were developed and presented in Staff's Cost 13 of Service Report and Accounting Schedules.

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#### What is your overall responsibility in this case?

A. I am one of two project coordinators assigned to identify the work scope for the case, make Staff assignments, and supervise and oversee all work product development. I specifically supervised all areas of the audit work assigned to the responsibility of the 18 Auditing Unit. I worked closely with other Staff experts assigned to this rate case. I worked with the depreciation and rate of return experts as well as the Tariff, Safety, Economic & 19 20 Engineering Analysis (TSEEA) experts assigned to revenues and fuel costs.

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I have the overall responsibility to ensure the revenue requirement calculation from the Staff's computer model is timely completed. This involves all aspects of the elements making up the revenue requirement recommendation. To this end, I, along with those under

1	my direct supervision, either developed directly, or was provided with, the information used					
2	to support the revenue requirement recommendations for Veolia Kansas City.					
3	Q. Please provide examples of how information from Staff experts was used to					
4	develop the revenue requirement recommendation.					
5	A. Staff expert Shana Atkinson provided recommendations from her capital					
6	structure and rate of return analyses which were provided as inputs to the revenue requirement					
7	calculation. This appears as part of Accounting Schedule 12. Ms. Atkinson's findings are					
8	also in the Cost of Service Report, along with her schedules.					
9	Staff expert Arthur Rice provided the results of his depreciation analysis which are					
10	also reflected in the Cost of Service Report, and in Accounting Schedule 5.					
11	Staff expert Robin Kliethermes and Staff expert Keith Majors worked with members					
12	of the Tariff, Safety, Economic & Engineering Analysis and together are sponsoring the					
13	revenue adjustment results.					
14	Karen Lyons assisted developing the fuel costs in this case.					
15	Other Staff members contributed to the development of the revenue requirement as					
15 16	Other Staff members contributed to the development of the revenue requirement as specifically identified in the Cost of Service Report, filed concurrently with Staff's direct					
16	specifically identified in the Cost of Service Report, filed concurrently with Staff's direct					
16 17	specifically identified in the Cost of Service Report, filed concurrently with Staff's direct testimony, exhibits and Accounting Schedules.					
16 17 18	specifically identified in the Cost of Service Report, filed concurrently with Staff's direct testimony, exhibits and Accounting Schedules. Q. Did Staff develop its revenue requirement recommendation for Veolia					
16 17 18 19	<ul> <li>specifically identified in the Cost of Service Report, filed concurrently with Staff's direct testimony, exhibits and Accounting Schedules.</li> <li>Q. Did Staff develop its revenue requirement recommendation for Veolia Kansas City in this rate case any differently than it has done so in the past for Veolia Kansas</li> </ul>					
16 17 18 19 20	<ul> <li>specifically identified in the Cost of Service Report, filed concurrently with Staff's direct testimony, exhibits and Accounting Schedules.</li> <li>Q. Did Staff develop its revenue requirement recommendation for Veolia Kansas City in this rate case any differently than it has done so in the past for Veolia Kansas City rate cases and for other utilities?</li> </ul>					
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inputs provided by the various Staff experts assigned to the Veolia Kansas City rate case
 are reasonable.

Based on my experience as a regulatory auditor, and my many years of experience as a
project coordinator in numerous rate cases, the effect of the inputs provided by the various
Staff experts assigned to the Veolia Kansas City rate case, the overall revenue requirement
presented in this testimony and Staff's Cost of Service Report, including the Accounting
Schedules, are all reasonable.

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Q. Is this the entire filing being made by Staff for this case?

9 A. No. Staff is scheduled to file its class cost of service and rate design
10 recommendation on May 15, 2014.

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Test Year and Known & Measurable Period

Q. What is a test year?

13 A test year is an historical year from which actual information is used as the A. 14 starting point for determining an annual revenue requirement to see if any shortfall or excess 15 of earnings by a rate-regulated utility. Adjustments are made to that information so that, as 16 adjusted, it reflects the normal annual revenues and operating costs of the rate-regulated 17 utility. Those normal annual revenues and operating costs to provide utility service on an 18 ongoing basis form the basis for determining what the utility's rates need to be to give it the opportunity collect in the future sufficient revenues both to pay for those ongoing costs and to 19 20 earn a reasonable profit. In determining ongoing revenues and costs to develop the utility's 21 revenue requirement, the first step is to identify the test year cost levels, which serve as the 22 starting point for making all adjustments to arrive at the revenue requirement 23 recommendation.

1 The Commission concisely expressed the purpose of using a test year in its Order in

2 KCPL's 1983 general rate case, Case No. ER-83-49:

The purpose of using a test year is to create or construct a reasonable expected level of earnings, expenses and investments during the future period in which the rates, to be determined herein, will be in effect. All of the aspects of the test year operations may be adjusted upward or downward to exclude unusual or unreasonable items, or include unusual items, by amortization or otherwise, in order to arrive at a proper allowable level of all of the elements of the Company's operations. The Commission has generally attempted to establish those levels at a time as close as possible to the period when the rates in question will be in effect.

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Is the test year important?

15 Yes. It is important to synchronize and capture-"match"-all revenues and A. 16 costs in the test year, and more importantly the update period, in order to develop a 17 relationship between the various components of the ratemaking process and keep those 18 relationships properly aligned. The starting point of this analysis is to select a test year for the 19 utility. To determine the proper level of utility rates, Staff examines the major elements of the 20 utility's operations within the test year. These include rate base items such as plant in service, 21 accumulated depreciation, deferred income tax reserves, fuel stocks, material and supplies, 22 and other investment items. Also essential in this process is a review of the utility's revenues 23 and expenses, making adjustments through the annualization and normalization processes. 24 These items include: payroll, payroll related benefits, payroll taxes, operation and 25 maintenance costs for non-payroll related costs such as material and equipment costs, small 26 tool costs, and outside vendor costs for equipment repairs. Depreciation expense and taxes, 27 including federal, state, local and property taxes, are all considered in setting rates.

It is important to maintain a representative relationship between rate base, revenuesand expenses at a point in time near to when new prospective rates become effective in order

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for a public utility to have an opportunity to earn a fair and reasonable return. An attempt is
 made in the regulatory process to set rates to properly reflect the levels of investment and
 expenses necessary to serve the retail customer base which provides revenues to the utility.

- A. The ordered test year is the twelve months that ended June 30, 2013. The June 30, 2013 test year was chosen by the Company, agreed to by Staff, and approved by the Commission in its January 16, 2014, *Order Setting Procedural Schedule, Establishing Test Year And Guidelines For Discovery*. Staff made annualization, normalization and disallowance adjustments to the test year results when the unadjusted results did not fairly represent Veolia Kansas City's most current annual level of existing revenue and operating costs.
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What update period did the Commission order in this case?

A. The update period in the Veolia Kansas City rate case is the period ending
December 31, 2013.

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Q. What is the significance of the update period?

What is the test year in this case?

The update period (sometimes also known as the "known and measurable 16 A. period") is critical to the development of new rates. New rates from general rate cases such as 17 18 this one normally take about eleven months from the time the case is filed until the new rates 19 take effect. A utility's revenue requirement based on the historical test year may change 20 significantly while its case is being processed. To better match new rates with the utility's 21 ongoing revenue requirement, the Commission orders update and true-up periods. Test year 22 information is updated to reflect changes through the update cut-off date—in this case December 31, 2013. 23

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1 Selecting a "known and measurable date" or "known and measurable period" is even more important than selection of a test year in synchronizing and capturing—"matching"—all 3 revenues and expenses as this updated information will, along with the results of the true-up, 4 form the basis for changing rates. Just as with the test year, a proper determination of revenue 5 requirement is dependent upon a consideration of all material components of the rate base, 6 return on investment, current level of revenues, along with operating costs, at the same point 7 *in time*. This ratemaking principle is common to all rate cases and common to how the 8 Commission has established rates using all material and relevant cost component to develop 9 the revenue requirement calculation. The December 31, 2013 date for the known and 10 measurable period was chosen to enable the parties and Staff an update period that provides 11 sufficient time to obtain actual information from Veolia upon which to perform analyses and 12 make calculations regarding various components to the revenue requirement and still base the 13 revenue requirement recommendation used for proposing new prospective rates on very 14 recent information.

15 In Case No. ER-83-49, regarding the need for a true-up, the Commission stated that it 16 would not "consider a true-up of isolated adjustments, but will examine only a package of 17 adjustments designed to maintain the proper revenue-expense-rate base match at a proper 18 point in time." [26 Mo P.S.C. (N.S.) 104, 110 (1983)] This concept of developing a revenue 19 requirement calculation based on a consideration of all relevant factors has been a 20 long-standing approach to ratemaking in this state, and is the approach Staff is following in 21 the MGE rate case.

The update cutoff date of December 31, 2013, is as close to the Staff's direct filing
 date of May 1, 2014 that is reasonable to allow Staff to file a direct case based on information
 as near to Staff's direct filing date as possible.

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Q. Is a true-up period planned for this case?

5 Initially, Staff had not planned to perform a true-up of this case based on A. early discussions with the Company. However, as Staff completed its case, Staff learned of a 6 7 significant rate change that is expected to occur in May 2014 by the Kansas City Water 8 Department, where Veolia Kansas City gets its water. The Company also gets sewer 9 service from this utility. As a result of this planned rate change, the Staff believes it may 10 be necessary to reflect this increase, along with the plant and reserve accounts, through 11 May 31, 2104. Therefore, Staff believes a true-up period may be needed. Staff will discuss 12 this change with the Company and other parties to attempt to obtain agreement with a true-up 13 procedure if one is needed.

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#### **Revenue Requirement Ratemaking Adjustments**

Q. Does Staff make any adjustments to the utility's accounting information to determine its revenue requirement for setting rates?

A. Yes. The ratemaking process includes making adjustments to that information so that it reflects the normal, on-going operations of the utility. This process generally uses four different types of adjustments to reflect changes determined to be reasonable and appropriate. Staff makes annualization, normalization, disallowances, and *pro forma* adjustments to base its recommendation regarding the revenue requirement recommendation.

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#### What is an annualization adjustment?

A. An annualization adjustment is made to a cost or revenue shown on the 3 utility's books to reflect a full year's impact of that cost or revenue. Examples are employee 4 pay raises during the test year and employees starting their employment during the updated 5 test year. Both require annualization adjustments so that the full annual salary of that employee is reflected in the updated test year. If not annualized, the utility's payroll would be 6 7 understated since the increased payroll cost to the utility due to such employees will continue 8 into the future. Another example is new customers that start taking service during or at the 9 end of the updated or trued-up test year. Their usage needs to be annualized to reflect a full 10 12 months of revenues from those new customers. If the utility's revenues from these 11 customers are not normalized, then the utility's revenues will be understated causing its 12 revenue requirement to be overstated and its new rates to be too high.

In this case Staff annualized revenues, payroll costs, fuel costs and other
accounting information.

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What is a normalization adjustment?

16 A normalization adjustment is made to revise an actual cost to reflect the cost A. 17 at a normal, on-going level. Utility revenues and costs that were incurred in the test year that 18 are determined not to be typical or abnormal generally are adjusted to remove the effects of 19 those abnormal or unusual events. For example, some utility revenues and costs vary with 20 weather (i.e., higher or lower temperatures); therefore, adjustments are made to normalize 21 these items. Unusually hot or cold weather significantly affect revenues received from those 22 customers that are weather sensitive, impacting the overall level of revenues that may result in 23 a distortion to the level of test year revenues and costs. Because utility rates are set using

1 normalized inputs, adjustments to test-year input levels must be made when it is determined 2 that unusual or abnormal events, such as weather effects, cause unusually high or low results. 3 To adjust these results, temperatures during the test year are compared to normal annual daily 4 temperatures that are based on actual temperature measurements taken over a substantial 5 period of time, many times for a 30-year time horizon. Weather-sensitive revenues are 6 adjusted in the test year to reflect normal weather temperatures. The resulting 7 weather-normalized sales volumes are also used as the basis for the utility's fuel and 8 purchased power costs, so that they too reflect normal weather temperatures.

9 Maintenance and operation costs relating to production equipment may also be 10 normalized. If unusual events like major maintenance or major weather related events have 11 occurred during the test year, then accounts where the costs associated with them may be 12 adjusted to reflect a normal level. If normalization adjustments are not made, the utility 13 revenues and costs, which both directly impact earnings, would be either too high or too low 14 to reflect the utility's future ongoing revenues and costs. For example, warmer than normal 15 weather in the winter will negatively impact a steam utility's revenues since the demand 16 for steam service for heating is decreased relative to a "normal" year. Staff proposes 17 adjustments to normalize the costs and revenues of events that are expected to vary from the 18 "normal" year.

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In this case, Staff, based on its examination of actual historical events, has made both a weather adjustment for revenues and normalized non-payroll operation and maintenance expenses.

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1 2 Q. What is a disallowance?

A. A disallowance is an adjustment to remove an item from the utility's revenue requirement. Typically a disallowance is made to remove a cost because the cost is not expected to recur, it was not necessary for providing utility service, it provided no benefit to ratepayers or it was imprudent. One example of costs that are disallowed is certain advertising costs. While some advertising costs benefit ratepayers and should be included in rates, others do not and should be disallowed. In this case both the Company and Staff made disallowance adjustments to remove certain payroll costs related to incentive compensation.

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#### What is a *pro forma* adjustment?

10 A. This type of adjustment is made to reflect increases and decreases to a utility's 11 revenue requirement caused by the implementation of a rate increase or decrease. Pro forma 12 adjustments are made because of the need to reflect the impact of items and events that occur 13 subsequent to the test year. These items and events may significantly impact the revenue, 14 expense and the rate base relationship, and should be recognized to address the objective of 15 forward-looking rates. Caution must be taken when making pro forma adjustments to 16 ensure that all material items and events subsequent to the test year are examined to avoid 17 failing to recognize offsetting adjustments. In addition, some post-test year items and events 18 may not have occurred yet-"known" and / or may not be capable of sufficient 19 measurement—"measurable". As a result, quantification of some *pro forma* adjustments may 20 be more difficult than others. A true-up audit that considers a full range of items and events 21 that occur subsequent to the test year and update period attempts to address the maintenance 22 of a proper relationship between revenues, expenses and investment, as well as address the 23 difficulty in making pro forma adjustments.

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The most common example of a *pro forma* adjustment is the grossing up of a net income deficiency for income tax purposes. This involves calculating the revenue requirement before income taxes. If rates need to be adjusted to increase utility revenues, then those revenues need to be factored up for income taxes. This is necessary because every additional revenue dollar collected in rates is subject to income tax.

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## **Revenue Requirement Calculation**

Q. In the context of determining rates for public utilities, what is "revenuerequirement"?

9 A. "Revenue requirement" is the amount of the annual revenues that a utility's 10 rates should be designed to allow it to collect each year. Steam service rates in Missouri are 11 based on actual historical information. The revenue requirement is calculated using the key elements decided by the Commission such as rate of return and capital structure on the 12 13 investment together with the costs to provide a particular utility service. This difference 14 between the revenue requirement from a cost of service calculation and revenues based on 15 existing rates identifies any revenue shortfall (denoting a need to increase rates) or revenue 16 excess (denoting a need to decrease rates).

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Q. How did Staff determine Veolia Kansas City's revenue requirement?

A. Staff reviewed all the material and relevant components making up the revenue
requirement of Veolia Kansas City, which include rate of return and capital structure, rate
base investment, and revenues and expenses, and sought to maintain the relationship in time
between each of these components through the update period through December 31, 2013

1	Q. How	does eac	ch of these components interrelate?			
2	A. The ratemaking process for regulated utilities is a process whereby the					
3	Commission makes	rate deci	sions regarding how utilities charge customers for utility services			
4	using a prescribed	formula	n. This interrelationship may be seen through the following			
5	formula:					
6	Rev	enue Ro	equirement = Cost of Providing Utility Service			
7			Or			
8			$\mathbf{RR} = \mathbf{O} + (\mathbf{V}-\mathbf{D})\mathbf{R};$ where,			
9	RR	=	Revenue Requirement			
10 11	0	=	Operating Costs (Payroll, Maintenance, etc.) Depreciation and Taxes			
12 13 14	V	=	Gross Valuation of Property Required for Providing Service (including plant and additions or subtractions of other rate base items)			
15 16	D	=	Accumulated Depreciation Representing Recovery of Gross Depreciable Plant Investment.			
17 18	V-D	=	Rate Base (Gross Property Investment less Accumulated Depreciation = Net Property Investment)			
19	R	=	Rate of Return Percentage			
20	(V-D)R	=	Return Allowed on Rate Base (Net Property Investment)			
21	This formula is the traditional rate of return calculation this Commission relies on to					
22	set just and reasonable rates. The result is the total revenue requirement for a utility. The					
23	difference between that total amount of revenues the utility would bill the number of					
24	annualized, normalized test year customers under existing rates is the incremental change in					
25	revenues that rates n	eed to b	e adjusted to allow the utility the opportunity to earn the revenue			
26	requirement the Commission authorizes, including the Commission-authorized return on rate					

base investment. The revenue requirement calculation allows for the recovery of the proper
 level of utility costs, including income taxes.

# 3 <u>OVERVIEW OF STAFF'S FILING, FINDINGS AND</u> <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

Q. Please identify the findings of Staff's review of Veolia Kansas City's rate
increase request.

A. Staff conducted a review of Veolia Kansas City's November 27, 2013 rate
increase filing and has identified the following areas in its findings and recommendations.

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# **Overall Revenue Requirement**

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Q. How did Staff determine its revenue requirement for MGE?

A. Staff identified many areas affecting Veolia Kansas City's revenue
requirement. Because of the potential changes relating to the Veolia Kansas City's rate base,
plant additions and other cost changes, the revenue requirement was developed using
information through December 31, 2013.

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# **Rate of Return**

The Staff based the rate of return used to calculate the revenue requirement in this case
on a consolidated capital structure and corporate results. Staff witness Shana Atkinson, of the
Commission's Financial Analysis Unit, determined that the appropriate rate of return on
equity is in a range from 8.50 percent to 9.50 percent with a mid-point of 9.00 percent,
resulting in an overall rate of return on investment of 6.82 percent to 7.30 percent with a
mid-point of 7.06 percent.

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Ms. Atkinson examined the Company's capital structure and cost of money and
 provided the Staff's proposed rate of return which it used to calculate its revenue requirement
 recommendation for MGE in this case:

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#### **Staff's Recommended Cost of Capital**

<u>Type of</u> <u>Capital</u>	<u>Ratio</u>	Embedded Cost	Weighted Cost of Capital Using <u>Common</u> Equity of 8.50%	Weighted Cost of Capital Using Common Equity of 9.00%	Weighted Costof CapitalUsing CommonEquity of9.50%
Common Equity	48%		4.08%	4.32%	4.56%
Long-Term Debt	52%	5.27%	2.74%	2.74%	2.74%
<u>Total</u>	100%		6.82%	7.06%	7.30%

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# Rate Base

Plant-in-Service and Accumulated Depreciation Reserve are reflected in the rate base as of December 31, 2013. All plant additions and retirements were included in the revenue requirement calculation as of December 31, 2013.

10 Staff witness Arthur Rice proposed several adjustments to plant in service and 11 accumulated depreciation reserve for plant retirements and reclassifications. Mr. Rice and 12 Staff witnesses Harris and Young, worked with the Company to identify and quantify the 13 dollar amounts for these adjustments through December 31, 2013.

Truman Medical Center started taking service from Trigen Kansas City on
June 16, 2008. The Company had requested an expansion to its service territory in
Case No. HA-2006-0294, which the Commission approved conditioned on Truman Medical
Center paying for pipeline construction. Staff verified that the construction payments were

1	made by Truman Medical Center. While the Company included the pipeline construction					
2	costs in its plant in service account, Staff made a corresponding offset in the same amount to					
3	rate base called Customer Advance for Construction.					
4	Staff included Fuel Stock (Coal) Inventories, Material & Supplies and Prepayments as					
5	of the December 31, 2013 rate base date.					
6	Staff included Accumulated Deferred Income Taxes Reserve as an offset to rate base					
7	as of December 31, 2013. For a more detailed discussion of these deferred tax reserves see					
8	the Staff Report under the section Income Taxes.					
9	Income Statement					
10	Revenues					
11	Staff annualized and normalized revenues through December 31, 2013 to reflect a					
12	major new customer and loss of some smaller customers. Cargill is one of two contract					
13	customers that started taking service in Spring 2007. The Staff included the revenues of both					
14	the contract customers, Ingredion (the former National Starch) and Cargill, in the calculation					
15	of the revenue requirement.					
16	Expenses					
17	Staff based the fuel costs in this case on coal and natural gas prices through December					
18	31, 2013. Staff determined other inputs such as fuel mix and station and distribution losses					
19	using historical information.					
20	Staff annualized payroll, payroll related benefits, and payroll taxes through					
21	December 31, 2013. Veolia Kansas City authorized a payroll increase as of January 1, 2014.					
22	Staff included this increase to properly reflect this cost increase in the payroll calculation.					

Staff calculated payroll and the related costs based upon Veolia Kansas City personnel located
 at the Grand Avenue Station.

Staff included operations and maintenance expense, other than payroll costs, in the
case at the update period through December 31, 2013 level after reviewing several years
of costs.

6 Staff developed and included an on-going level of rate case expense in the case based 7 on the actual invoiced expenditures that the Company provided to the Staff during the audit 8 through January 31, 2014. Because these costs are unique to the rate case process, with major 9 costs incurred by the Company to review Staff and other parties' direct filings, participate in 10 the prehearing conference, prepare responsive testimony and, if needed, go to trial, Staff will 11 examine additional costs as the process develops further to include those costs that can be 12 verified and supported as reasonable and justified. Outside services expenses were analyzed 13 and amounts that were verified and supported related to on-going company operations were 14 included in the case.

Depreciation expense was annualized based on depreciation rates developed by Arthur
W. Rice of the Commission's Depreciation, Engineering and Management Services Unit. The
depreciation rates were applied to Staff's recommended plant values as adjusted plant in
service amounts, resulting in a total amount of annualized depreciation expense.

Staff calculated income taxes based on the results of the revenue requirementcalculation as of December 31, 2013.

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#### **Fuel Prices**

Q. How does Veolia Kansas City produce steam to serve its customers?

1 A. The Company has a production facility on the northern most part of downtown 2 Kansas City along the Missouri River known as Grand Avenue Station. This power plant 3 produces steam in boilers that burn either natural gas or coal. One of the major costs of 4 producing steam is the amount the Company pays for these two energy sources. 5 How were fuel prices determined in this case? Q. 6 A. Actual coal and natural gas costs paid by Veolia Kansas City were examined 7 for the period of 2005 to December 2013. Staff used the most recent pricing information 8 available for coal and freight through December 31, 2013 and a three-year average for 9 natural gas. **Plant in Service and Accumulated Depreciation Records** 10 11 Q. Did Veolia Kansas City have problems maintaining its property records? 12 Yes. In the past, Staff discovered that Veolia Kansas City, formerly known as A. 13 Trigen Kansas City Energy, did not maintain its books and records in conformity with the 14 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Uniform System of Accounts (USOA). 15 Staff discusses the issues relating to Veolia Kansas City's inadequate record keeping, and the 16 actions taken by the Company to bring those records into compliance with the USOA, in the Staff's Cost of Service Report. Notably, the 2008 rate case was the first time since the 17 18 Company took over the steam system from KCPL in 1990, that the Staff could reasonably 19 rely upon Veolia Kansas City's books. 20 Not only were the books and records of the Company in previous disarray, the annual 21 reports submitted to the Commission did not reflect accurate valuations for plant in service 22 and accumulated depreciation reserve. Additionally, the Company's calculation of its

accumulated deferred income tax reserve balances was also inaccurate making those reserve
 accounts unreliable in the past.

Therefore, Staff recommends Veolia Kansas City continue to maintain the plant model
developed by the Company that it currently uses for purposes of keeping all plant records for
plant additions and retirements.

6 Staff witness Rice worked with the Company in this proceeding to make certain
7 corrections to its books for retirements. Those retirements are discussed in the Cost of
8 Service Report under the plant section.

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# HISTORY OF VEOLIA ENERGY KANSAS CITY, INC.

10 Q. Please provide a history of Veolia Kansas City Corporation's utility operations
11 in Missouri.

A. What is now Veolia Kansas City's steam operations began as a district heating
service in the early part of the twentieth century and has provided customers steam services
for over 100 years of continuous service. The original steam system started operations in
downtown Kansas City in 1905.

16 KCPL owned and operated the steam system until it sold those operations in
17 March 1990 to Trigen Energy Corporation, whose headquarters were located in White Plains,
18 New York. The Commission approved this sale transaction in Case Nos. HM-90-4
19 and HA-90-5.

# In 2000, Trigen Energy Corporation was acquired by ELYO, an energy subsidiary of Suez Lyonnaise des Eaux Group (Suez).

In June 2005, Thermal North America Inc. (Thermal North America) acquired
Trigen Kansas City, along with the other U.S. Trigen Companies, from Suez in a transaction

that was approved by the Commission in Case No. HM-2004-0618. The Trigen Companies
 were wholly owned subsidiaries of Thermal North America. Thermal North America
 operated several district heating and steam operations, chilled water services, and provided
 electricity located in different cities throughout the United States.

Thermal North America also had a wholly owned subsidiary, a service corporation
named ThermalSource LLC (ThermalSource), which was located in Boston, Massachusetts.
ThermalSource provided accounting, financial, human resources, legal, communications, and
information services to the Trigen Companies, including the former Trigen Kansas City.

9 In December 2007, Thermal North America was acquired by Veolia 10 Environnement. S.A., (Veolia Environnement) one of the world's largest energy and 11 water companies with corporate headquarters based in France. Veolia Environnement's 12 wholly-owned subsidiary in the United States, Veolia Energy North America Holdings, Inc., 13 owns and operates Thermal North America. The Commission did not believe it had the 14 authority to review this sale transaction and therefore, did not specifically approve this 15 transfer of ownership.

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What is the corporate structure of Veolia Kansas City?

A. Veolia Kansas City and Veolia Missouri are wholly owned subsidiaries of
Thermal North America. Veolia Energy North America, LLC, a management service
company, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Thermal North America. Thermal North America
was purchased by Veolia Energy North America Holdings, Inc., in December 2007. Thermal
North America has several other wholly owned subsidiaries managed by Veolia Energy North
America, LLC, and are referred to herein as the Veolia Companies. Please see Schedule
CGF-2 for organizational chart of the Veolia entities.

1 Veolia Energy North America, LLC, directly assigns or allocates certain corporate 2 costs it incurs directly to the Veolia Companies. The Veolia Companies are located in the 3 following locations: Atlanta, Georgia; Baltimore, Maryland; Boston, Massachusetts; Grand 4 Rapids, Michigan; Houston, Texas; New York, New York; Portland, Oregon; Philadelphia, 5 Pennsylvania; Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Tulsa, Oklahoma; Trenton, New Jersey; St. Louis, 6 Missouri; Kansas City, Missouri; Las Vegas, Nevada; and Los Angeles, California. The 7 Veolia Companies located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, St. Louis, Missouri and Kansas 8 City, Missouri are subject to state or local regulation.

9 All the district heating and chilled water services are provided through various
10 operating companies of Thermal North America including Veolia Kansas City and
11 Veolia Missouri.

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Does Thermal North America operate any other subsidiary?

A. Yes. Thermal North America owns and operates Veolia Energy
North America, LLC (Veolia Energy). Veolia Energy provides management services
including accounting, financial, human resources, legal, communications, and information
services to the various Veolia Companies, including Veolia Kansas City. Veolia Energy
serves the same function to the Veolia operating companies as ThermalSource, the
predecessor company, did.

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Q. What is Veolia Environnement?

A. According to the Veolia Environnement's 2012 Annual Report to Shareholders
(referenced in Data Request 11) the following description of the corporate company is:

Veolia Environnement is a global reference in the environmental services sector(1), offering a comprehensive range of services and with the expertise necessary to define a service offering tailored to individual customer needs, whether

1 2 3 4	the supply of water, the treatment and recovery of municipal or industrial effluent, waste collection, processing and recycling, the supply of heating and cooling services or the optimization of industrial processes.
5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18	Veolia Environnement's operations are conducted through three divisions, each specializing in a single business sector: Veolia Eau (Water), Veolia Energie (Dalkia, Energy Services) and Veolia Propreté (Environmental Services). Through these divisions, Veolia Environnement currently provides drinking water to 101 million people and treats wastewater for 71 million people in the world, processes nearly 54.4 million tons of waste, satisfies the energy requirements of hundreds of thousands of buildings for its industrial, public authority and private individual customers and transports more than 3.2 billion passengers each year. Veolia Environnement also develops service offering combining several Group businesses, either through several individual contracts or by combining services within a multi-service contract.
19	In Veolia Environnement's 2010 Annual Report to Shareholders (referenced in
20	Data Request No. 11, Case No. GR-2011-0241) the following description of the corporate
21	company is:
22 23 24 25 26 27 28	Veolia Environnement is the world leader in environmental services. With operations on every continent and more than 317,034 employees, we provide customized solutions to meet the needs of municipal and industrial customers in four complementary segments: water, environmental services, energy services and passenger transportation. Veolia Environnement recorded revenue of 34.8 billion euros in 2010.
29 30 31	We have been creating global and integrated solutions for public and private sector clients the world over for more than 155 years.
32	The 34.8 billion euros equals \$49.6 billion US at the exchange rate of \$1.4304 on
33	July 28, 2011.
34	Veolia Energy's web site states "Veolia Energy is a leading operator and developer of
35	energy efficient solutions. As the world's first energy services company, Veolia Energy

1	employs 53,000 personnel in 42 countries who are fully focused on energy efficiency and
2	environmental sustainability."
3	Veolia Energy's web site identifies that Veolia Energy North America provides the
4	following services in its four divisions:
5 6 7	In North America, Veolia Environnement's four complementary divisions have established a significant presence, with approximately \$4.5 billion in Revenue and 30,000 employees.
8 9 10 11	Should your requirements extend beyond energy and facility management, Veolia Energy North America can join forces with other North American divisions to devise a comprehensive, custom solution for you.
12 13	This solution may incorporate one or more of the following - water, environmental services, and transportation services.
14	The website indicates Veolia is one of the largest utilities in the world. Veolia stated
15	in 2011 that it:
16	Owns the largest portfolio of District Energy systems in the U.S.A.
17	No.1 in municipal partnerships & industrial outsourcing.
18	Top 1-4 in various categories of waste management.
19	No.1 in U.S. surface passenger transportation.
20	In the 2005 Annual Report to shareholders, Veolia Energy stated it was:
21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33	The only global company to offer the entire range of environmental services in water, waste management, energy and transportation sectors. We have been creating global and integrated solutions for public and private sector clients the world over for more than 150 years. The quality of our research, the expertise and synergies developed between our teams, our mastery of the public-private partnership model and our commitment to sustainable development have made us a benchmark player in major environmental matters. With 271,153 employees around the world, Veolia Environnment recorded revenue of 25.2 billion [euros] in 2005. [source: cover page of 2005 Annual Report, Data Request 11.1 in Case No. HR-2008-0300]

In Veolia's 2012 Form 20 filed with the Securities Exchange Commission, the parent 1

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3	6.1.3.3 Energy Services
4	Veolia Environnement conducts its energy service activities
5	through Dalkia, a global provider of energy services to
6	companies and public authorities. Primarily in its role as a
7	decentralized producer of thermal and electrical energy, Dalkia
8	develops offerings in three strategic sectors: Heating and
9	Cooling Systems, Industrial Utilities and Energy Services for
10	Buildings. The Group seizes opportunities offered by the
11	development of the energy market and the need to contain
12	energy consumption. Dalkia is present at all stages of the energy
13	chain from decentralized production to optimizing distribution
14	and containing demand, to improve the performance of energy
15	systems. Dalkia joins forces with its customers, helping them
16	optimize their energy purchases and improve the efficiency of
17	their installations both in terms of cost and lic emissions and
18	assists them with the transformation of their installations.
19	As of December 31, 2013, Dalkia had 43,135 employees, primarily in
20	Europe.
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22	Dalkia is owned 66.0% by Veolia Environnement and 34.0% by
23	EDF. In France, Dalkia conducts its business through Dalkia
24	France, a 99.9% subsidiary of Dalkia, while abroad Dalkia
25	conducts its business through Dalkia International, owned
26	75.8% by Dalkia and 24.2% by EDF. Dalkia International's
27	results are consolidated using the equity method in 2013.
28	[source: REGISTRATION DOCUMENT 2013 – VEOLIA
29	ENVIRONNEMENT – page 55– Veolia web site—
30	www.finace.veolia.com/doc/2013-registration; emphasis added]
31	The district heating and cooling segment of the parent Veolia Environnement entity is
32	identified as:
33	Heating and Cooling Systems

- The development of urban networks has been a key growth driver for Dalkia in recent years and will continue to be the main contributor to Group growth over the next five years.
- 37 Dalkia is a leading European operator of large urban heating 38 and cooling networks. Dalkia currently manages 770 urban and

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	<ul> <li>local heating and cooling networks worldwide, particularly in France, the United Kingdom, Eastern and Central Europe and Lithuania. Moreover, Veolia Energy operates networks in the United States where it has a strong market position. The networks operated by Dalkia provide heating, domestic hot water and air conditioning to a wide range of public and private facilities, including schools, health centers, office buildings and residences. In addition, the production plants often generate electricity sold to operators or on the market.</li> <li>[source: REGISTRATION DOCUMENT 2013 – VEOLIA ENVIRONNEMENT – page 56; emphasis added]</li> </ul>								
12	Q. What is the current organizational structure of Veolia Environnement - the								
13	corporate parent?								
14	A. The following corporate structure identifies the relationship of each of the								
15	main Veolia companies:								
16	Veolia Environnement S.A.								
17	Veolia Environnemental North America Operations, Inc. Veolia Energy North America Holdings, Inc. Thermal North America, Inc.								
	Veolia Energy North America, LLC								
19	Veolia Energy Kansas City, Inc. Veolia Energy Missouri, Inc.								
20	This information was taken from a more complex organizational chart provided by the								
21	Company.								
22	A more detailed corporate organizational chart is contained in Schedule CGF-2.								

Q. What level of employees does Veolia Environnement (parent company)							
employ?							
A. The total number of employees world wide is 318,376 as of December 31,							
2102. Total North American employees is 27,366. Veolia Kansas City has 29 employees							
working at the Grand Avenue plant in Kansas City.							
Q. Does Thermal North America only provide steam services to downtown							
Kansas City?							
A. No. Thermal North America's Veolia Missouri affiliate provides chilled water							
services used for air conditioning load to a small number of customers on a non-regulated							
basis in the service territory of Veolia Kansas City. Veolia Kansas City provides steam							
service to Veolia Missouri at existing tariff rates.							
Q. What are the other Veolia Companies current operations?							
A. The Veolia Companies provide steam, chilled water and electricity on a							
regulated and non-regulated basis to several cities in the United States.							
Besides steam and chilled water services in Kansas City, the Veolia Companies							
provide steam and chilled water services to the following cities:							
Veolia Company Name         Business Description							
Dalkia Energy ServicesDalkia Facilities ServiceVeolia Energy Atlantic StationChilled Water ServicesVeolia Energy Baltimore HeatingDistrict HeatingVeolia Energy Baltimore CoolingCoolingVeolia Energy BostonDistrict Heating & CoolingVeolia Energy Building ServicesVeolia Energy Facilities ServicesVeolia Energy Facilities ServicesSteam ServicesVeolia Energy GlendaleDistrict Heating & CoolingVeolia Energy Grand RapidsDistrict Heating & CoolingSteam & Energy ServicesSteam & Energy Services							

1	Trigen - Inner Harbor East	District Heating & Cooling						
	Veolia Energy Los Angeles	District Heating & Cooling						
2 3	Veolia Energy Las Vegas	District Heating & Cooling						
4	Veolia Energy Maryland Steam	Steam Services						
5	Veolia Energy Oklahoma City	District Heating & Cooling						
6	Veolia Energy Operating Services							
7	Veolia Energy Philadelphia	Steam Services						
8	Philadelphia Thermal Development	Steam Services						
9	Philadelphia United Power							
10	Veolia Energy Trenton							
10	Veolia Energy Portland	District Cooling						
		District Cooling						
12	Veolia Energy Renewables	Energy Services						
13	SourceOne, Inc.							
14	SourceOne Harborside							
15	SourceOne APT	~ ~ ~ ~ .						
16	Trigen - St. Louis Energy	Steam & Energy Services						
17	Veolia Energy Solutions							
18	Veolia Energy Trenton	District Heating & Cooling						
19	Veolia Energy Tulsa District Heating & Cooling							
20 21	[source: Data Request 79 update from Charles P. Melcher's direct testimony, pages 4 - 5]							
22	Q. In general terms, what areas does Veolia Kansas City serve?							
23	A. Veolia Kansas City generally serves steam customers in and around downtown							
24	Kansas City, Missouri, specifically defined as the	downtown loop. The downtown loop is						
25	bounded by the Missouri River to the north and	Interstate 70 to the south. In Case No.						
26	HA-2006-0294, the Commission authorized Veolia	a Kansas City to make an expansion south						
27	of the downtown loop to serve Truman Medical Center, which began taking steam service							
28	June 2008.							
29	In addition, Veolia Kansas City provides	steam service to two industrial customers						
30	under long-term contracts. Ingredion Incorporate	ed (formerly National Starch & Chemical						
31	Company (National Starch) started taking steam	n service from KCPL in the mid-1980s.						
32	Originally, KCPL had a contract, dated November	3, 1982, to provide steam service to CPC						
22	Internetional Inc. (Com Droducto) That contract	man terminated October 1, 1005, and the						

33 International Inc. (Corn Products). That contract was terminated October 1, 1985, and the

1	steam service was assigned to National Starch. National Starch has plant operations north of								
2	the Grand Avenue Station across the Missouri River.								
3	Cargill, Incorporated (Cargill) started taking steam service from Trigen Kansas City in								
4	May 2007 and is located east of the Grand Avenue Station. Cargill expanded its services								
5	using steam in late 2008.								
6	On Veolia Kansas City's web site 2011, the Company states the following regarding								
7	its steam operations in Kansas City:								
8	• 60 customers								
9	One steam production facility								
10	- Steam capacity of 1.3 million pounds per hour								
11	• Coal fired with natural gas								
12	- 5 megawatts of electric power co-generation capacity								
13	• 6.5 mile steam distribution system								
14	• Two chilled water production facilities								
15	- 10,650 tons chilled water capacity								
16	-2.0 mile chilled water pipes								
17	Q. When was the last time steam rates were changed for Veolia Kansas City?								
18	A. The following table represents the three rate case filing requests including this								
19	one made by Veolia Kansas City and the amount of revenue requirement the Company								
20	believed it could justify:								
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22									
23	continued on next								

Case Number       Effective Date of Rates       Amount Rate Amount       Overall percent       Case Justified       Test Year       Update Period         Amount       increase       Awarded       Increase       Increase								
HR-2014-0066         pending         \$1.0 million         14.4%         \$2.8 million         June 30, 2013         December								
HR-2011-0241         Oct 19, 2011         \$1.379 million         19%         \$3.7 million         December 31, 2010         June 3								
HR-2008-0300         Nov 1, 2008         \$1.228 million         19.5%         \$2.6 million         December 31, 2007         June 30, 2008								
Prior to the 2008 rate increase, steam rates in downtown Kansas City were last changed in 1982, in Case No. HR-82-67, when the steam system was owned by KCPL.								
<ul><li>Changed in 1982, in Case No. HR-82-67, when the steam system was owned by KCPL.</li><li>Q. Was this the last time that a KCPL steam rate case was filed?</li></ul>								
A. No. KCPL filed for a steam rate increase in 1986 in Case No. HO-86-139. In								
that case, KCPL requested that the Commission approve a proposal to cease operations and								
move the steam customers to KCPL's electric operations. The Commission rejected that								
proposal and also rejected the rate increase, and instructed KCPL to seek buyer opportunities								
for the steam system. KCPL did, and Trigen Corporation was the successful bidder.								
In the summary of the Commission's Order in Case No. HO-86-139 the following								
appears:								
The Commission has found that KCPL shall be authorized to abandon central steam distribution service as of December 31, 1990. However, KCPL shall make a good faith effort to sell the system and shall not terminate service to any customer until abandonment. KCPL shall solicit proposals for sale or transfer of the system as soon as reasonably practicable and shall report to the Commission as to the outcome of its efforts on or before January 31, 1989. KCPL shall freeze rates at current levels until the system is sold or abandoned. [29 Mo P.S.C. (N.S.) 246 (1987)]								

1	Q. Was Veolia Kansas City's 2008 rate case the only increase requested by								
2	the Company?								
3	A. No. Veolia Kansas City (as Trigen Kansas City) filed for rate relief in								
4	Case No. HR-93-278 on April 7, 1993, for \$152,208, or an approximately 3.9% increase. The								
5	Company withdrew the tariffs and did not file formally again for rate relief until								
6	March 11, 2008, when it filed for the 2008 rate case. In the 1993 rate case, Trigen sought and								
7	was granted a waiver by the Commission regarding the requirement for Trigen to file direct								
8	testimony and exhibits. In the Order regarding variance, the Commission stated:								
9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	The Commission agrees that it would be impractical for Trigen to adhere to the entire formal procedure. Thus, the Commission determines that Trigen should be granted a variance to the requirement to file direct testimony in this case. The case would then proceed with Staff's direct testimony as a starting point and Trigen would still be expected to adhere to the remaining procedural schedule. Such a variance would reduce Trigen's costs while assuring that Staff's concerns are fully considered.								
18 19	[Commission Order dated May 26, 1993 in Case No. HR-93-278]								
20	Even though the Commission granted the Company a waiver from some of the								
21	procedural filing requirements, the Company remained unable to meet the remaining								
22	requirements and piece together the existing books and records to support a rate increase. On								
23	July 9, 1993, Trigen filed a "NOTICE OF DISMISSAL" requesting that the 1993 rate be								
24	dismissed. Trigen stated as its reasons requesting such notice as:								
25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32	Although the Commission concluded that the burden of the full formal ratemaking process was sufficiently onerous to warrant a variance, much of the formal ratemaking process was left in place. The same information that would have been developed to generate direct testimony will be required to respond to Staff's inquiries in preparing its direct testimony and to prepare rebuttal testimony. In addition, the formal ratemaking process requires the development of data and preparation of schedules								

1 2 3 4 5	in a format specified by Staff that is not easily extracted from and generated by Trigen's system. As a result, most of the resources required for full formal ratemaking will still be required to proceed under the variance granted by the Commission.
6 7	[Trigen's Motion of Notice of Dismissal dated July 9, 1993 in Case No. HR-93-278]
8	On July 13, 1993 the Commission granted Trigen's motion to dismiss the case
9	[Commission Order dated July 13, 1993 in Case No. HR-93-278].
10	VEOLIA MISSOURI OPERATIONS
11	Q. What is Veolia Missouri?
12	A. Veolia Missouri is an affiliate company of Veolia Kansas City.
13	Veolia Missouri supplies chilled water services from two locations to a small number of
14	customers in downtown Kansas City in the same service territory as Veolia Kansas City.
15	Veolia Missouri produces chilled water at the Grand Avenue central plant and distributes this
16	service for air conditioning through a distribution line with a return condensate pipeline back
17	to Grand Avenue for recycling purposes. Veolia Missouri also leases certain chillers from the
18	city of Kansas City to produce chilled water for air conditioning purposes at the city's
19	convention center.
20	All of Veolia Missouri's customers are also Veolia Kansas City customers, taking both
21	chilled water services and steam services from these two affiliated Veolia companies.
22	Veolia Missouri has its offices at Veolia Kansas City's headquarters at the
23	Grand Avenue Station. Veolia Missouri operates out of Grand Avenue and leases space for

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its chilled water equipment at this facility. Veolia Kansas City employees provide

oversight and operational services to Veolia Missouri operations and allocate time and

1	costs to this affiliate. Veolia Missouri's management is the same as the management of
2	Veolia Kansas City.
3	The Grand Avenue Station, which is owned and operated by Veolia Kansas City,
4	produces the steam and has all the necessary infrastructure in place to supply the steam to
5	Veolia Missouri.
6	Veolia Missouri is also a customer of Veolia Kansas City, taking steam to operate its
7	chillers on a tariff basis.
8	Q. Is the provision of chilled water services regulated by the Commission?
9	A. That question was answered by the Commission in Case No. HM-2004-0618.
10	In that case, the Commission found that Veolia Missouri should not be regulated, as it is
11	currently operated. The Commission stated:
12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	The evidence presented in this case indicates that Trigen-Missouri, as it is currently operated, is not offering its chilled water service to the public at large. Furthermore, the Commission has never regulated chilled water service. If this issue is presented to the Commission again in a different case, with different facts, the Commission may reach a different conclusion. However, based on the record before it, the Commission is not convinced that it is in the public interest to assert jurisdiction over the chilled water operations of Trigen-Missouri.
22	[Commission Order in Case HM-2004-0618, page 7]
23	Q. How did Staff treat Veolia Missouri in this rate case?
24	A. Staff treated the operations of Veolia Missouri as non-regulated at this time.
25	Staff devoted considerable time to identify the results and operations of Veolia Missouri to
26	ensure that none of its investment, revenues or costs were included in the revenue requirement
27	calculation for Veolia Kansas City. Because Veolia Kansas City and Veolia Missouri share
28	many investment and cost structures, Staff allocated payroll costs, payroll related benefits,

and payroll taxes between the two companies. The chilled water equipment owned and
operated by Veolia Missouri was not included in the Veolia Kansas City rate base. Material
and Supplies, and Prepayments, had to be identified and allocated between the two Veolia
entities. Staff included revenues associated with providing steam to Veolia Missouri at
regular tariff rates in the overall revenue requirement calculation.

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Q. Has Staff reflected any changes for Veolia Missouri's operations?

7 A. Yes. Veolia Missouri leases space under agreement from its affiliate, 8 Veolia Kansas City. Staff believes the lease agreement between these two affiliates was not 9 made at arm's length and, by its terms, provided benefits to Veolia Missouri, as an affiliate, 10 which the company would not provide to any other entity. That lease is considered highly 11 confidential by the management of Veolia Missouri, which is the same management of Veolia 12 Kansas City. A more detailed discussion of this adjustment appears in the highly confidential 13 portion of the Staff Report.

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#### VEOLIA ENERGY NORTH AMERICA'S CORPORATE COSTS

Q. What are the corporate costs relating to the Veolia Kansas City's operations?

16 A. Veolia Kansas City does not have any corporate-level management employees 17 providing administrative and support functions located at its Grand Avenue headquarters. All corporate functions associated with operating, maintaining and managing the district heating 18 19 and chilled water services in downtown Kansas City are provided from a Veolia entity called 20 Veolia Energy North America, LLC. The costs associated with employees located in Kansas 21 City who operate the district heating systems are directly assigned to Veolia Kansas City. In 22 turn, a portion of the Veolia Kansas City payroll costs are assigned to its affiliate Veolia 23 Missouri through a specific time reporting system. Staff has included the operational and

maintenance costs for the Grand Avenue production plant and the district heating distribution
 system in its revenue requirement proposal.

Veolia Energy North America provides management oversight, accounting, finance, legal, human resources and general corporate governance to both Veolia Kansas City and Veolia Missouri from four locations – Milwaukee, Boston, Indianapolis and Chicago. While Veolia Energy North America is responsible for most of the corporate costs that are allocated to Veolia Kansas City and the other district heating and cooling operations, Thermal North America also has costs which are allocated to these various Veolia entities as well.

In the 2011 rate case, the corporate overhead costs charged to the Company from these
locations substantially increased from the time of the Veolia Kansas City's 2008 rate case.
The corporate costs increased substantially from \$198,000 in 2006 to over \$783,000 for
2010 - a 295% increase in five years. In this current case, the cost allocations charged to
Veolia Kansas City in 2013 have significantly declined from the levels allocated in the
2011 time frame.

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#### How are the corporate costs assigned to Veolia Kansas City?

A. Veolia Energy North America has developed a procedure using sales revenues as the basis of allocating corporate costs to the various district heating and cooling systems. This process appears to ensure that each entity is getting a proper assignment of corporate costs from Veolia Energy North America, Veolia Energy North America Holdings and Thermal North America. Staff reviewed the cost allocations process used to charge these corporate overheads to Veolia Kansas City and found all Veolia entities were receiving a reasonable level of costs.

	A full	discussion	of the	corporate	cost	allocations	is	addressed	in	the	Cost	of
Service	e Repor	t.										
	Q.	Does this co	nclude	your direct	testir	nony?						
	A.	Yes, it does.										
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#### **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

#### **OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Veolia Energy Kansas City, ) Inc for Authority to File Tariffs to Increase ) Rates

Case No. HR-2014-0066

#### **AFFIDAVIT OF CARY G. FEATHERSTONE**

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STATE OF MISSOURI	)	
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COUNTY OF COLE	)	

Cary G Featherstone, of lawful age, on his oath states: that he has participated in the preparation of the foregoing Direct Testimony in question and answer form, consisting of 47 pages to be presented in the above case; that the answers in the foregoing Direct Testimony were given by him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such answers; and that such matters are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Cary G. Featherstone

ST Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of May, 2014.

> D. SUZIE MANKIN Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Cole County My Commission Expires: December 12, 2016 Commission Number: 12412070

Notary Public

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2014	GR-2014-0007 Coordinated	Missouri Gas Energy division of Laclede Gas Company	Direct- sponsor Utility Services Cost of Service Report Supplemental Direct- sponsor true-up revenue requirement Rebuttal Surrebuttal- update true-up revenue requirement	Pending
2013 2012	HC-2012-0259 Consolidated with HC-2010-0235 Coordinated	KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company Ag Processing complaint against GMO's Quarterly Cost Adjustment (industrial steam fuel clause)	Additional Surrebuttal Report and Rebuttal	Pending
2010	HC-2010-0235	Ag Processing complaint against GMO's Quarterly Cost Adjustment (industrial steam fuel clause)	Deposition	Contested
2007 2008	HR-2007-0028, HR-2007-0399 and HR-2008-0340	Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks- L&P (industrial steam fuel clause review)		
2012	ER-2012-0175 Coordinated	KCPL Greater Missouri Operations Company (electric rate increase)	Direct- sponsor Utility Services Cost of Service Report; policy; plant valuation; capacity planning; Jurisdictional Allocation Factors; Rebuttal- capacity planning Surrebuttal- plant valuation; capacity True-up Direct	Contested

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2012	ER-2012-0174 Coordinated	Kansas City Power & Light Company (electric rate increase)	Direct- sponsor Utility Services Cost of Service Report; policy; Additional Amortizations Regulatory Plan; Jurisdictional Allocation Factors; Iatan 2 Advanced Coal Credits; Rate Analysis Rebuttal- Iatan 2 Advanced Coal Credits	Contested
2011	SA-2010-0219 and SC-2010-0161 Coordinated	Canyon Treatment Facility LLC (sewer certificate and complaint case)	Recommendation Memorandum	Stipulated
2011	HR-2011-0241 Coordinated	Veolia Energy Kansas City Company (former Trigen Kansas City Energy Company) (steam rate increase)	Direct- sponsor Utility Services Cost of Service Report	Stipulated
2010	ER-2010-0356 Coordinated	KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (electric rate increase)	Direct- sponsor Utility Services Cost of Service Report; policy; plant valuation; capacity planning; jurisdictional allocations; Rebuttal- capacity planning Surrebuttal- plant valuation; capacity True-up Direct True-up Rebuttal	Contested

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2010	ER-2010-0355 Coordinated	Kansas City Power & Light Company (electric rate increase)	Direct- sponsor Utility Services Cost of Service Report; policy; Additional Amortizations Regulatory Plan; Jurisdictional Allocations Rate Analysis Rebuttal- jurisdictional allocation Surrebuttal- True-up Direct True-up Rebuttal	Contested
2010	SR-2010-0110 and WR-2010-0111 Coordinated	Lake Region Water and Sewer Company (water & sewer rate increase)	Direct- sponsor Utility Services Cost of Service Report Surrebuttal True-up Direct Reports to Commission	Contested
2009	HR-2009-0092 Coordinated	KCPL Greater Missouri Operations Company (former Aquila, Inc. Missouri electric properties) (industrial steam rate increase)	Direct- sponsor Utility Services Cost of Service Report; policy	Stipulated
2009	ER-2009-0090 Coordinated	KCPL Greater Missouri Operations Company (former Aquila, Inc. Missouri electric properties) (electric rate increase)	Direct- sponsor Utility Services Cost of Service Report; policy Surrebuttal-plant valuation; capacity planning	Stipulated

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2009	ER-2009-0089 Coordinated	Kansas City Power & Light Company (electric rate increase)	Direct- sponsor Utility Services Cost of Service Report; policy; Additional Amortizations and Iatan 1 construction Rebuttal- jurisdictional allocations Surrebuttal- allocations	Stipulated
2008	HR-2008-0300 Coordinated	Trigen Kansas City Energy (steam rate increase)	Direct - sponsor Utility Services portion of the Cost of Service Report, overview of rate case, plant review and plant additions, fuel and income taxes	Stipulated
2007	HO-2007-0419 Coordinated	Trigen Kansas City Energy [sale of coal purchase contract] (steam)	Recommendation Memorandum	Stipulated
2007	ER-2007-0004 Coordinated	Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks- MPS and Aquila Networks- L&P (electric rate increase)	Direct-fuel clause, fuel, capacity planning Rebuttal Surrebuttal- fuel clause	Contested
2006	WR-2006-0425 Coordinated	Algonquin Water Resources (water & sewer rate increases)	Rebuttal- unrecorded plant; contributions in aid of construction Surrebuttal unrecorded plant; contributions in aid of construction	Contested

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2006	ER-2006-0314 Coordinated	Kansas City Power & Light Company (electric rate increase)	Direct-construction audits Rebuttal- allocations Surrebuttal- allocations	Contested
2005	HR-2005-0450 Coordinated	Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks- L&P (industrial steam rate increase)	Direct	Stipulated
2005	ER-2005-0436 Coordinated	Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks- MPS and Aquila Networks- L&P (electric rate increase)	Direct- interim energy charge; fuel; plant construction; plant commercial in-service; capacity planning, plant valuation Rebuttal Surrebuttal	Stipulated
2005	EO-2005-0156 Coordinated	Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks- MPS (electric- South Harper Generating Station asset valuation case)	Rebuttal- plant valuation Surrebuttal- plant valuation	Stipulated
2005	HC-2005-0331 Coordinated	Trigen Kansas City Energy [Jackson County Complaint relocation of plant for Sprint Arena] (steam complaint case)	Cross examination- relocation of plant assets	Contested
2004	GR-2004-0072 Coordinated	Aquila, Inc., d/b/a Aquila Networks-MPS and Aquila Networks-L&P (natural gas rate increase)	Direct- acquisition adjustment; merger savings tracking Rebuttal	Stipulated

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2004	HM-2004-0618 Coordinated	Trigen- Kansas City Energy purchase by Thermal North America (steam - sale of assets)	Supervised Case— Did not file testimony	Stipulated
2003	ER-2004-0034 and HR-2004-0024 (Consolidated) Coordinated	Aquila, Inc., (formerly UtiliCorp United Inc) d/b/a Aquila Networks-MPS and Aquila Networks-L&P (electric & industrial steam rate increases)	Direct- acquisition adjustment; merger savings tracking Rebuttal Surrebuttal Deposition	Stipulated
2002	ER-2002-424 Coordinated	Empire District Electric Company (electric rate increase)	Direct- fuel-interim energy charge Surrebuttal	Stipulated
2001	ER-2001-672 and EC-2002-265 Coordinated	UtiliCorp United Inc./Missouri Public Service Company (electric rate increase)	Verified Statement Direct- capacity purchased power agreement; plant recovery Rebuttal Surrebuttal	Stipulated
2001	ER-2001-299 Coordinated	Empire District Electric Company (electric rate increase)	Direct- income taxes; cost of removal; plant construction costs; fuel- interim energy charge Surrebuttal True-Up Direct	Contested
2000	EM-2000-369 Coordinated	UtiliCorp United Inc. merger with Empire District Electric Company (electric acquisition/ merger case)	Rebuttal- acquisition adjustment; merger costs/savings tracking	Contested (Merger eventually terminated)
2000	EM-2000-292 Coordinated	UtiliCorp United Inc. merger with St. Joseph Light & Power Company (electric, natural gas and industrial steam acquisition/ merger case)	Rebuttal- acquisition adjustment; merger costs/savings tracking	Contested (Merger closed)

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1999	EM-97-515 Coordinated	Kansas City Power & Light Company merger with Western Resources, Inc. (electric acquisition/ merger case)	Rebuttal- acquisition adjustment; merger costs/savings tracking	Stipulated (Merger eventually terminated)
1998	GR-98-140 Coordinated	Missouri Gas Energy Division of Southern Union Company (natural gas rate increase)	Testimony in Support of Stipulation And Agreement	Contested
1997	EM-97-395	UtiliCorp United Inc./Missouri Public Service (electric-application to spin-off generating assets to EWG subsidiary)	Rebuttal- plant assets & purchased power agreements	Withdrawn
1997	ER-97-394 and EC-98-126 Coordinated	UtiliCorp United Inc./Missouri Public Service (electric rate increase and rate complaint case)	Direct- fuel & purchased power; fuel inventories; re- organizational costs Rebuttal Surrebuttal	Contested
1997	EC-97-362 and EO-97-144	UtiliCorp United Inc./Missouri Public Service (electric rate complaint case)	Direct fuel & purchased power; fuel inventories Verified Statement	Contested Commission Denied Motion
1997	GA-97-133	Missouri Gas Company (natural gas—certificate case)	Rebuttal- natural gas expansion	Contested
1997	GA-97-132	UtiliCorp United Inc./Missouri Public Service Company (natural gas—certificate case)	Rebuttal- natural gas expansion	Contested
1996	ER-97-82	Empire District Electric Company (electric interim rate increase case)	Rebuttal- fuel & purchased power	Contested
1996	GR-96-285 Coordinated	Missouri Gas Energy Division of Southern Union Company (natural gas rate increase)	Direct- merger savings recovery; property taxes Rebuttal Surrebuttal	Contested

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EM-96-149 Coordinated	Union Electric Company merger with CIPSCO Incorporated (electric and natural gas acquisition/merger case)	Rebuttal- acquisition adjustment; merger costs/savings	Stipulated
GA-96-130	UtiliCorp United, Inc./Missouri Pipeline Company (natural gas certificate case)	Rebuttal- natural gas expansion	Contested
ER-95-279 Coordinated	Empire District Electric Company (electric rate increase)	Direct- fuel & purchased power; fuel inventories	Stipulated
GR-95-160 Coordinated	United Cities Gas Company (natural gas rate increase)	Direct- affiliated transactions; plant	Contested
GA-94-325 Coordinated	UtiliCorp United Inc., expansion of natural gas to City of Rolla, MO (natural gas certificate case)	Rebuttal- natural gas expansion	Contested
GM-94-252 Coordinated	UtiliCorp United Inc., acquisition of Missouri Gas Company and Missouri Pipeline Company	Rebuttal- acquisition of assets case	Contested
ER-94-194	Empire District Electric Company (electric rate increase)	Supervised Case— Did not file testimony	
GM-94-40	Western Resources, Inc. and Southern Union Company (natural gas sale of Missouri property)	Rebuttal- acquisition adjustment; merger costs/savings tracking	Stipulated
TR-93-181	United Telephone Company of Missouri (telephone rate increase)	Direct- directory advertising Surrebuttal	Contested
TC-93-224 and TO-93-192	Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (telephone rate complaint case)	Direct- directory advertising Rebuttal	Contested
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1991	EM-91-290	UtiliCorp United Inc./ Missouri Public Service and Centel acquisition (electric – acquisition/ merger case)	Recommendation Memorandum	Stipulated
1991	GO-91-359 Coordinated	UtiliCorp United Inc., Missouri Public Service Division (natural gas accounting authority order)	Memorandum Recommendation- Service Line Replacement Program cost recovery deferral	Stipulated
1991	EO-91-358 and EO-91-360 Coordinated	UtiliCorp United Inc., Missouri Public Service Division (electric accounting authority orders)	Rebuttal- plant construction cost deferral recovery; purchased power cost recovery deferral	Contested
1991	EM-91-213	Kansas Power & Light - Gas Service Division (natural gas acquisition/merger case)	Rebuttal- acquisition adjustment; merger costs/savings tracking	Contested
1990	GR-90-152	Associated Natural Gas Company (natural gas rate increase)	Rebuttal- acquisition adjustment; merger costs/savings	Stipulated
1990	GR-90-198 Coordinated	UtiliCorp United, Inc., Missouri Public Service Division (natural gas rate increase)	Direct- Corporate Costs and Merger & Acquisition Costs	Stipulated
1990	ER-90-101 Coordinated	UtiliCorp United Inc., Missouri Public Service Division (electric rate increase- Sibley Generating Station Life Extension Case)	Direct- Corporate Costs and Merger & Acquisition Costs Surrebuttal	Contested
1990	GR-90-50 Coordinated	Kansas Power & Light - Gas Service Division (natural gas rate increase)	Direct- prudency review of natural gas explosions	Stipulated

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1989	TR-89-182 and TC-90-75	GTE North, Incorporated (telephone rate increase)	Direct- directory advertising Rebuttal Surrebuttal	Contested Decided Feb 9, 1990
1988	TC-89-14 Coordinated Directory	Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (telephone rate complaint case)	Direct- directory Surrebuttal advertising Surrebuttal Deposition	Contested
1988	GR-88-115 Coordinated	St. Joseph Light & Power Company (natural gas rate increase)	Supervised Case Did not file testimony Deposition	Stipulated
1988	HR-88-116	St. Joseph Light & Power Company (industrial steam rate increase)	Supervised Case Did not file testimony Deposition	Stipulated
1987	HO-86-139 Coordinated	Kansas City Power & Light Company (district steam heating discontinuance of public utility and rate increase)	Direct- policy testimony on abandonment of steam service Rebuttal Surrebuttal	Contested
1986	TR-86-117 Coordinated	United Telephone Company of Missouri (telephone rate increase)	Withdrawn prior to filing	Withdrawn
1986	GR-86-76 Coordinated	KPL-Gas Service Company (natural gas rate increase)	Withdrawn prior to filing	Withdrawn
1986	TR-86-55 Coordinated	Continental Telephone Company of Missouri (telephone rate increase)	Supervised Case Did not file testimony	Stipulated

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1986	TR-86-63 Coordinated	Webster County Telephone Company (telephone rate increase)	Supervised Case Did not file testimony	Stipulated
1986	TR-86-14 Coordinated	ALLTEL Missouri, Inc. (telephone rate increase)	Supervised Case— Did not file testimony	Stipulated
1985	ER-85-128 and EO-85-185 Coordinated	Kansas City Power & Light Company (electric rate increase- Wolf Creek Nuclear Generating Unit Case)	Supervised Case Direct- fuel inventories; coordinated Wolf Creek Nuclear construction audit	Contested
1984	EO-84-4	Investigation and Audit of Forecasted Fuel Expense of Kansas City Power & Light Company (electric forecasted fuel true-up)	Direct	Contested
1983	TR-83-253	Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (telephone rate increase - ATT Divesture Case)	Direct- revenues & directory advertising	Contested
1983	ER-83-49	Kansas City Power & Light Company (electric rate increase)	Direct- fuel & fuel inventories Rebuttal Surrebuttal	Contested
1983	EO-83-9	Investigation and Audit of Forecasted Fuel Expense of Kansas City Power & Light Company (electric forecasted fuel true-up)	Direct	Contested
1982	TR-82-199	Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (telephone rate increase)	Direct- revenues & directory advertising	Contested

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1982	ER-82-66 and HR-82-67	Kansas City Power & Light Company (electric & district steam heating rate increase)	Direct- fuel & purchased power; fuel inventories Rebuttal Surrebuttal	Contested
1981	TO-82-3	Southwestern Bell Telephone Company Investigation of Equal Life Group and Remaining Life Depreciation Rates (telephone depreciation case)	Direct- construction work in progress	Contested
1981	TR-81-302	United Telephone Company of Missouri (telephone rate increase)	Direct- construction work in progress	Stipulated
1981	TR-81-208	Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (telephone rate increase)	Direct-cash working capital; construction work in progress; income taxes-flow- through Rebuttal Surrebuttal	Contested
1981	ER-81-42	Kansas City Power & Light Company (electric rate increase)	Direct-payroll & payroll related benefits; cash working capital Rebuttal	Contested
1980	TR-80-235	United Telephone Company of Missouri (telephone rate increase)	Direct- construction work in progress Rebuttal	Contested
1980	GR-80-249 Coordinated	Rich Hill-Hume Gas Company (natural gas rate increase)	No Testimony filed- revenues & rate base	Stipulated
1980	GR-80-173	The Gas Service Company (natural gas rate increase)	Direct Deposition	Stipulated
1980	HR-80-55	St. Joseph Light & Power Company (industrial steam rate increase)	Direct	Stipulated

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1980	OR-80-54	St. Joseph Light & Power Company (transit rate increase)	Direct	Stipulated
1980	ER-80-53	St. Joseph Light & Power Company (electric rate increase)	Direct	Stipulated

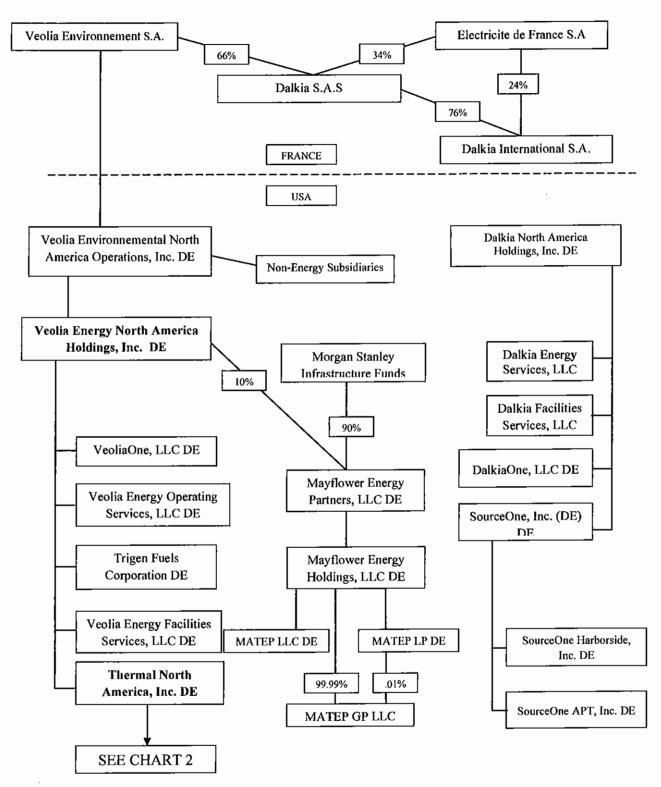
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2013	SA-2014-0005	Central Rivers Wastewater (sewer certificate case)	Supervised Case-	Stipulated
2013	SC-2013-0332	West 16 <sup>th</sup> Street (Public Counsel complaint case)	Supervised Case-	Stipulated
2013	WR-2013-0326	Woodland Manor (water informal rate increase)	Supervised Case-	Stipulated
2013	SR-2013-0053	WPC Sewer	Supervise Case-	Stipulated
2013	WM-2013-0329	Bilyean Ridge Water	Supervise Case-	Stipulated
2012	WR-2012-0163	Tandy County (water informal rate increase)	Supervised Case- Recommendation Memorandum	Stipulated
2011	WO-2022-0328	Algonquin Liberty Water purchase of Noel Water	Supervised Case- Recommendation Memorandum	Stipulated
2010	SR-2010-0320 Coordinated	Timber Creek Sewer Company	Supervised Case—Did Not File Testimony	Pending
2010	WR-2010-0202	Stockton Water Company	Recommendation Memorandum	Stipulated
2010	EO-2010-0211	KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Liberty service center sale	Recommendation Memorandum	Stipulated
2009	EO-2010-0060	KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Blue Springs service center sale	Recommendation Memorandum	Withdrawn

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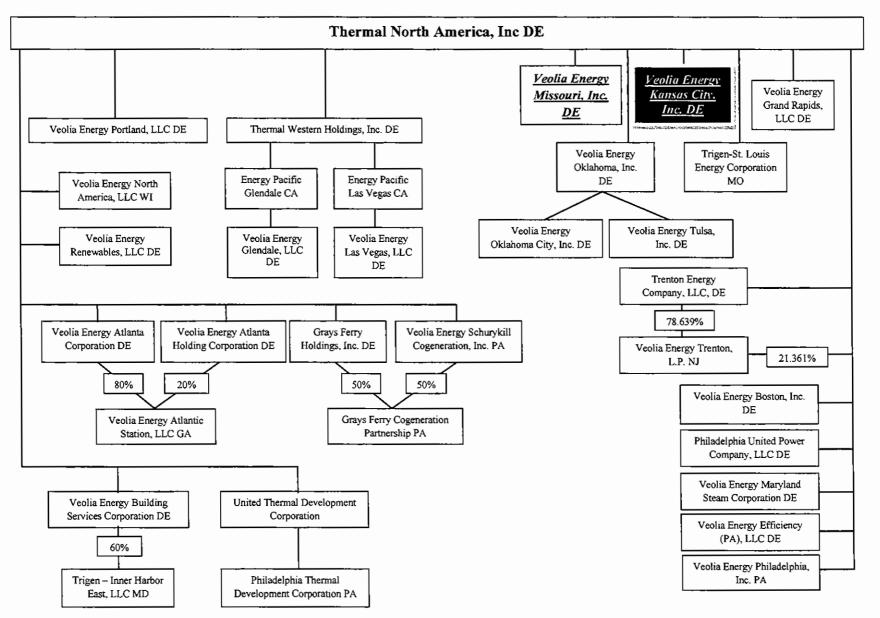
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2009	WR-2010-0139 SR-2010-0140	Valley Woods Water Company	Recommendation Memorandum	Stipulated
2008	QW-2008-0003	Spokane Highlands Water Company (water- informal rate increase)	Recommendation Memorandum	Stipulated
2007	SR-2008-0080 QS-2007-0008	Timber Creek (sewer- informal rate increase)	Recommendation Memorandum	Stipulated
2006	WR-2006-0250 Coordinated	Hickory Hills Water (water- informal rate increase)	Supervised Case—Did Not File Testimony	Contested
2006	HA-2006-0294 Coordinated	Trigen Kansas City Energy (steam- expansion of service area)	Recommendation Memorandum & Testimony	Contested
2005	Case No. WO-2005-0206 Coordinated	Silverleaf sale to Algonquin (water & sewer- sale of assets)	Supervised Case—Did not file testimony	Stipulated
2005	GM-2005-0136 Coordinated	Partnership interest of DTE Enterprises, Inc. and DTE Ozark, Inc in Southern Gas Company purchase by Sendero SMGC LP (natural gas sale of assets)	Recommendation Memorandum	Stipulated
2003	QW-2003-016 QS-2003-015	Tandy County (water & sewer informal rate increase)	Recommendation Memorandum	Stipulated

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