BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Consideration of Adoption of the PURPA Section 111(d)(16) Integrated Resource Planning Standard as Required by Section 532 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007.)))	Case No. EO-2009-0247
In the Matter of the Consideration of Adoption of the PURPA Section 111(d)(17) Rate Design Modifications to Promote Energy Efficiency Investments Standard as Required by Section 532 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007.))))	Case No. EO-2009-0248
In the Matter of the Consideration of Adoption of the PURPA Section 111(d)(16) Consideration of Smart Grid Investments Standard as Required by Section 1307 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007.)))	Case No. EO-2009-0249
In the Matter of the Consideration of Adoption of the PURPA Section 111(d)(17) Smart Grid Information Standard as Required by Section 1307 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007.)))	Case No. EO-2009-0250

STAFF RESPONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING THE COMMISSION'S STAFF TO SHOW CAUSE AS TO WHY THE ABOVE CAPTIONED CASES SHOULD NOT BE RECLASSIFIED AS WORKSHOP CASES

Comes now the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) through the Office of the General Counsel of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) in response to the December 22, 2008 Order Directing The Commission's Staff To Show Cause As To Why The Above Captioned Cases Should Not Be Reclassified As Workshop Cases. In response the Staff states as follows:

1. The Staff notes the third sentence in the Commission's December 22, 2008 Order:

"However, these matters appear to be workshop cases, opened to determine whether a

rulemaking proceeding is required." The Staff wants to be clear that it does not state in its

motions in the four above captioned cases that the matters addressed by the motions are

workshop cases. Furthermore, the Staff's motions indicate that rulemakings are just one possible

consequence of the cases that the Staff requested be established. Finally, the Staff would

comment that the workshop case (Case No. EW-2004-0596) that the Commission established for

the beginning of the discussions that ultimately lead to the Kansas City Power & Light Company

Regulatory Plan (Case No. EO-2005-0329), so that Commissioners could participate, proved to

be problematic when the Sierra Club and the Concerned Citizens of Platte County chose the

route of judicial review of the Commission's approval of the Regulatory Plan. The Staff will not

go into greater detail regarding how the workshop genealogy of the case on review was

problematic.

Wherefore for the above stated reasons the Staff filed its motions to establish the four

above captioned cases as "EO" cases and recommends to the Commission that these cases retain

their "EO" designation.

Respectfully submitted,

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