

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

In the Matter of the Application of The Empire)	
District Electric Company of Joplin, Missouri)	
for Authority to File Tariffs Increasing Rates)	<u>Case No. ER-2006-0315</u>
for Electric Service Provided to Customers in)	<u>Tariff File No. YE-2006-0597</u>
the Missouri Service Area of the Company)	

**APPLICATION OF KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE**

COMES NOW Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCPL"), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.075, *et seq.*, and applies to intervene and to become a party to the above-captioned proceeding.

In support thereof, KCPL states as follows:

1. KCPL is a Missouri corporation, in good standing in all respects, with its principal office and place of business located at 1201 Walnut, Kansas City, Missouri 64106. KCPL is engaged in the generation, transmission, distribution, and sale of electric energy and power in those areas in Missouri certificated to it by the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"), including the City of Kansas City, Missouri, as well as in areas of eastern Kansas.

2. KCPL is an "electrical corporation" and "public utility" as those terms are defined in Mo. Rev. Stat. § 386.020 (2000), and as such, is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission as provided by law. KCPL provides electric service to approximately 230,000 residential customers and approximately 30,100 commercial and industrial customers in Missouri. KCPL's Certificate of Good Standing was filed with the Commission in Case No. EM-2000-464 and is incorporated herein by reference.

3. KCPL has pending or final judgments or decisions against it from state or federal regulatory agencies or courts which involve customer service occurring within the three (3) years immediately preceding the filing of this application. KCPL has a general rate case pending before the Commission in Case No. ER-2006-0314. KCPL has no overdue Commission annual reports or assessment fees.

4. All correspondence, pleadings, orders, decisions, and communications regarding this proceeding should be sent to:

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5. On February 1, 2006, The Empire District Electric Company ("Empire") submitted to the Commission proposed tariff sheets intended to implement a general rate increase for electrical service provided in its Missouri service area. The proposed tariff sheets bear a requested effective date of March 3, 2006. The Commission issued an Order and Notice on February 7, 2006, wherein, among other things, the Commission ordered that any interested party seeking to intervene do so by February 27, 2006.

6. KCPL is currently a co-owner of the Iatan Unit 1 power plant with Empire and Aquila, Inc. Moreover, KCPL, Empire, and certain other parties are negotiating the joint ownership of the Iatan Unit 2 power plant.

7. For the above-stated reasons, KCPL's interest in this proceeding is different from that of the general public and cannot be represented by any other party to these proceedings.

Actions taken by the Commission in this proceeding may substantially affect KCPL's legal and financial interests.

8. KCPL is unsure what position it may take as to the issues that may be raised in this proceeding. KCPL reserves its right to state its position and participate with regard to any matter or issue arising in this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, KCPL respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order authorizing it to intervene in the above-captioned matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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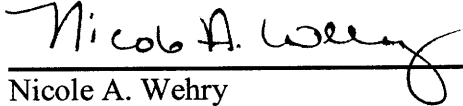
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