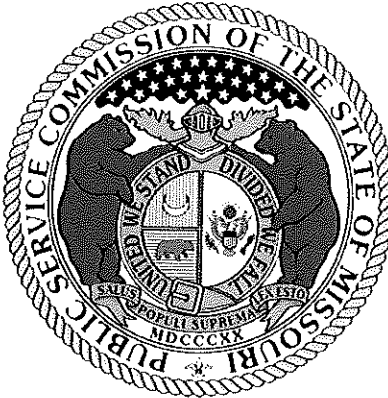


**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**



In the Matter of the Application of Transource Missouri)
Missouri, LLC for a Certificate of Convenience)
and Necessity Authorizing It to Construct,) File No. EA-2013-0098
Finance, Own, Operate, and Maintain the)
Iatan-Nashua and Sibley-Nebraska City)
Electric Transmission Projects)

REPORT AND ORDER

Issue Date: August 7, 2013

Effective Date: September 6, 2013

5. The Commission's Affiliate Transactions Rule sections 4 CSR 240-20.015(2)(A)2, 4 CSR 240-20.015(2)(B), and 4 CSR 240-20.015(3)(C)4 are waived with respect to:

- a. The transfer, license, or assignment of transmission assets, easements, or right of ways (or use thereof) owned by GMO or KCP&L associated with the Projects;
- b. Materials and services provided by KCP&L or GMO to Transource, Transource Missouri, or a subsidiary for the Projects prior to novation or transfer of the cost of the Projects to Transource Missouri; and
- c. Information, assets, goods, and services provided by KCP&L or GMO to Transource, Transource Missouri, or a subsidiary until the Projects are in service.

6. The Commission's Affiliate Transactions Rule sections 4 CSR 240-20.015(2)(A)2, 4 CSR 240-20.015(2)(B), and 4 CSR 240-20.015(3)(C)4 are waived to the extent necessary to allow KCP&L and GMO to use a 20% markup to their fully distributed cost methodology in lieu of using the fair market value under the Rule with respect to:

- a. Non-Project goods and services (if the Signatories cannot agree regarding the reasonableness of these charges, this matter shall be taken to the Commission for resolution);⁷² and

⁷² Although the Signatories have not expressly requested a waiver of the Rule in Paragraph 6 of the Stipulation, the Commission finds that the provisions of Paragraph 6 propose treating non-Project goods and services in a manner different from the requirements of the Rule and, therefore, the Commission will treat Paragraph 6 as requesting a waiver of the Rule to the extent of its provisions.

- b. Information, assets, goods, and services provided by KCP&L or GMO to Transource, Transource Missouri, or a subsidiary for the Projects after they are in service.

7. KCP&L and GMO shall file for Commission approval of their cost allocation manuals ("CAMs") before providing any information, assets, goods, and services to Transource or Transource Missouri after either the novation or transfer of the cost of the Projects, whichever occurs first, but KCP&L and GMO may provide to Transource or Transource Missouri information, assets, goods, and services in a manner consistent with the provisions of the Stipulation prior to Commission approval of their CAMs.⁷³

8. Transource Missouri's CCN Application is granted conditioned upon the terms of the Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement and the Unanimous First Amendment, including the Commission making specific findings after the final selection of the Sibley-Nebraska City route.

9. Transource Missouri shall provide the Commission with the 4 CSR 240-3.105 information for the Sibley-Nebraska City route as soon as that information is available.

10. The reporting requirements of 4 CSR 240-3.175, Submission Requirements For Electric Utility Depreciation Studies, are waived subject to the Stipulation's provision regarding Staff's and OPC's access to documents.

11. Subsections 4 CSR 240-3.190 (1), (2), and (3)(A)-(D), Reporting Requirements For Electric Utilities And Rural Electric Cooperatives, are waived for Transource Missouri.

⁷³ Transcript, Vol. 2 at 108-10; 4 CSR 240-20.015(3)(D), 4 CSR 240-20.015(10)(A)2.B.

load ratio share of the annual revenue requirement for such facilities that would have resulted if KCP&L's authorized ROE and capital structure had been applied and there had been no Construction Work in Progress ("CWIP") (if applicable) or other FERC Transmission Rate Incentives, including but not limited to Abandoned Plant Recovery, recovery on a current basis instead of capitalizing pre-commercial operations expenses and accelerated depreciation, applied to such facilities; and (b) the SPP load ratio share of the annual FERC-authorized revenue requirement for such facilities. KCP&L will make this adjustment in all rate cases so long as these transmission facilities are in service.

2. With respect to transmission facilities located in GMO certificated territory that are constructed by Transource Missouri that are part of the Iatan-Nashua and Sibley-Nebraska City Projects, GMO agrees that for ratemaking purposes in Missouri the costs allocated to GMO by SPP will be adjusted by an amount equal to the difference between: (a) the SPP load ratio share of the annual revenue requirement for such facilities that would have resulted if GMO's authorized ROE and capital structure had been applied and there had been no CWIP (if applicable) or other FERC Transmission Rate Incentives, including but not limited to Abandoned Plant Recovery, recovery on a current basis instead of capitalizing pre-commercial operations expenses and accelerated depreciation, applied to such facilities; and (b) the SPP load ratio share of the annual FERC-authorized revenue requirement for such facilities. GMO will make this adjustment in all rate cases so long as these transmission facilities are in service.

3. Sections II(B) and II(D) address issues under the Commission's Affiliate Transactions Rule, 4 CSR 240-20.015 ("Rule"). The Signatories agreed that provisions of the Affiliate Transactions Rule, 4 CSR 240-20.015, should apply to transactions between KCP&L and GMO on the one hand, and GPE, Transource, and Transource's utility subsidiaries on the other hand, except for the waivers as provided for in Paragraphs 4 through 6, and 11 through 13 of the Stipulation. All Signatories reserved the right to seek or oppose additional waivers for other projects (i.e., projects other than the Iatan-Nashua

Project and the Sibley-Nebraska City Project) from the Affiliate Transactions Rule in the future.⁷⁵

B. Affiliate Transactions Rule

3. The provisions of the Affiliate Transactions Rule, 4 CSR 240-20.015, shall apply to transactions between KCP&L and GMO on the one hand, and GPE, Transource Missouri, and Transource Missouri's utility subsidiaries on the other hand, except for the waivers as provided for in paragraphs 4 through 6, and 11 through 13. All Signatories reserve the right to seek or oppose additional waivers for other projects (i.e., projects other than the Projects) from the Affiliate Transactions Rule in the future.

4. The Signatories request that the Commission waive 4 CSR 240-20.015(2)(A)2, 4 CSR 240-20.015(2)(B), and 4 CSR 240-20.015(3)(C)4 with respect to transfer, license, or assignment of easements or right of ways (or use thereof, including joint usage where KCP&L/GMO are using the easement or right of way and permit Transource Missouri to use the same easement or right of way) owned by GMO or KCP&L associated with the Projects. The affiliate transactions referenced in this paragraph are subject to the provisions of paragraph 7.

5. The Signatories request that the Commission waive 4 CSR 240-20.015(2)(A)2, 4 CSR 240-20.015(2)(B), and 4 CSR 240-20.015(3)(C)4 with respect to materials and services (including, but not limited to, usage of KCP&L/GMO employees, contracted labor/services, vehicles, equipment, and facilities) provided by KCP&L or GMO to Transource Missouri, Transource Missouri, or a subsidiary for the Projects prior to novation or transfer of the cost of the Projects to Transource Missouri. The providing entity shall be compensated for these materials and services including Allowance for Funds Used During Construction ("AFUDC") and capitalized property taxes at its fully distributed cost at the time of transfer of the cost of the Projects.

6. The Signatories agree that non-Project goods and services (defined as goods and services that are not directly related to the Projects) were to be provided and are to be

⁷⁵ Transcript, Vol. 2 (Apr. 16, 2013) at 103-09; 4 CSR 240-20.015(10); 4 CSR 240-2.060(4).

provided at the higher of fair market value or fully distributed cost by KCP&L to Transource Missouri, Transource Missouri, and GPE prior to the novation or transfer of the cost of the Projects. KCP&L and GMO will, by June 1, 2013, ensure that charges to Transource Missouri, Transource Missouri, and GPE regarding the development and formation of Transource Missouri and Transource Missouri reflect the higher of fair market value or the fully distributed cost. The Signatories agree that KCP&L and GMO can use a 20% markup to their fully distributed cost methodology for such goods and services in lieu of using the fair market value. If the Signatories cannot agree regarding the reasonableness of these charges, this matter will be taken to the Commission for resolution. In support of the resolution of the treatment for non-Project goods and services provided prior to the novation or transfer of the cost of the Projects, KCP&L and GMO will contribute a total of \$50,000 to the State School Fund or a mutually agreeable organization. This contribution will not be recovered from KCP&L and GMO customers. The Signatories agree that all outstanding issues related to the provision of non-Project goods and services to Transource Missouri, Transource Missouri, and GPE prior to the novation or transfer of the cost of the Projects are resolved, except as provided in this paragraph.

7. Transource Missouri will pay GMO the higher of \$5.9 million or net book value for transferred transmission assets, easements, and right-of-ways that have been previously included in the rate base and reflected in the retail rates of KCP&L and GMO customers. KCP&L and GMO agree to book a regulatory liability reflecting the value of this payment to the extent it exceeds net book value. This regulatory liability shall be amortized over three years beginning with the effective date of new rates in KCP&L's and GMO's next retail rate cases.

D. KCP&L Operations Specific to the Projects

11.If KCP&L assists Transource Missouri for the Projects in communicating with local landowners in the KCP&L and GMO certificated service territories, with local governmental authorities, and with other members of the public, or if KCP&L continues to provide ongoing construction management, cost control management, engineering services, construction services, procurement of materials, and related services for the Projects, the Signatories request that the Commission waive 4 CSR 240-20.015(2)(A)2, 4 CSR 240-

20.015(2)(B), and 4 CSR 240-20.015(3)(C)4 with respect to information, assets, goods, and services (including, but not limited to, usage of KCP&L or GMO employees, contracted labor/services, vehicles, equipment, and facilities) provided by KCP&L or GMO to Transource Missouri, Transource Missouri, or a subsidiary until the Projects are in service. These materials and services will be provided at fully distributed cost until the Projects are in service. For the purposes of this paragraph and paragraph 12, "in service" is defined as the commercial operation date for each of the Projects.

12.If KCP&L provides operations and maintenance services and related capital for the Projects after they are in service, it will do so in a manner consistent with the application of the Commission's Affiliate Transactions Rule, except that the Signatories request that the Commission waive 4 CSR 240-20.015(2)(A)2, 4 CSR 240-20.015(2)(B), and 4 CSR 240-20.015(3)(C)4 with respect to information, assets, goods, and services (including, but not limited to, usage of KCP&L or GMO employees, contracted labor/services, vehicles, equipment, and facilities) provided by KCP&L or GMO to Transource Missouri, Transource Missouri, or a subsidiary to the extent necessary to allow KCP&L and GMO to use a 20% markup to their fully distributed cost methodology in lieu of using the fair market value.

13.KCP&L and GMO shall file for Commission approval of their Cost Allocation Manuals ("CAM") before providing any information, assets, goods, and services to Transource Missouri or Transource Missouri after either the novation or transfer of the cost of the Projects, whichever occurs first. The Signatories agree that KCP&L and GMO can provide information, assets, goods, and services to Transource Missouri or Transource Missouri in a manner consistent with the provisions of this Stipulation prior to Commission approval of the CAM.

4. The Signatories have agreed to certain payments to be made by Transource Missouri, KCP&L and GMO, including their regulatory treatment.⁷⁶ The Signatories have

⁷⁶ Stipulation, Paragraph II(B)(7) at p. 7: "Transource Missouri will pay GMO the higher of \$5.9 million or net book value for transferred transmission assets, easements, and right-of-ways that have been previously included in the rate base and reflected in the retail rates of KCP&L and GMO customers. KCP&L and GMO agree to book a regulatory liability reflecting the value of this payment to the extent it exceeds net book value. This regulatory liability shall be amortized over three years beginning with the effective date of new rates in

also agreed to other procedures that KCP&L, GMO, Transource Missouri, and their affiliates will follow with regard to the Projects.

5. The Stipulation contains provisions regarding the future operations of the Applicants in Section II(C), reporting requirements in Section II(E), and access by Staff and OPC to the books and records of Transource Missouri and Transource Energy in Section II(F). There are additional conditions in Section II(G) regarding the final selection of the route of the Sibley-Nebraska City Project, as well as public outreach efforts related to the siting, routing, easement acquisition and right-of-way acquisition for the Projects.

C. Transource Missouri Operations/Future Transfer

8. Transource Missouri will not pursue future transmission projects that are subject to a right of first refusal ("ROFR") in the KCP&L and GMO respective certificated service territories.

9. KCP&L and GMO will pursue future transmission projects subject to ROFR in their respective certificated service territories. KCP&L or GMO may seek a waiver from the provisions of this paragraph from the Commission for good cause.

10. Transource Missouri agrees to seek approval from the Commission for any subsequent transfer of the Projects' facilities.

E. Additional Reporting and Provision of Information Regarding the Projects

14. KCP&L will file a copy of the final purchase agreement, detail of the costs included in CWIP, and detail of the property to be transferred at the time of transfer of the Projects' facilities.

15. KCP&L, GMO, and/or Transource Missouri will continue coordinated efforts with Omaha Public Power District

KCP&L's and GMO's next retail rate cases." Stipulation, Paragraph II(B)(6) at p. 6: "... KCP&L and GMO will contribute a total of \$50,000 to the State School Fund or a mutually agreeable organization. This contribution will not be recovered from KCP&L and GMO customers."