

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
January 7, 2000**

CASE NO: EC-99-553

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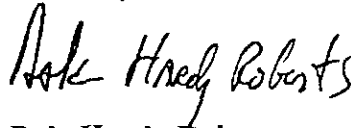
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Enclosed find certified copy of a NOTICE in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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| GST Steel Company, |) | |
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| Complainant, |) | |
| |) | |
| v. |) | <u>Case No. EC-99-553</u> |
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| Kansas City Power & Light Company, |) | |
| |) | |
| Respondent. |) | |

NOTICE REGARDING PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED
AT SHOW CAUSE HEARING

On January 6, 2000, this Commission issued its Show Cause Order, directing Complainant and its counsel to appear and "show cause, if any they have, why an appropriate sanction ought not be imposed on GS Technology Operating Company, Inc., doing business as GST Steel Company, or on its counsel of record, or both[.]" That show cause hearing shall commence at 1:30 p.m. on January 18, 2000. The Commission's Order of January 6, 2000, specifically requires that "Each counsel for every other party to this matter shall appear at that date and time and shall be prepared to advise the Commission on these matters."

Because this is a rare and unusual proceeding before the Commission, and because the Commission's practice is to issue a procedural notice in every case in which a hearing will be held, for the information and convenience of all parties, the Commission shall issue a procedural notice in this case. Because time is short, the Commission has issued this Notice prior to hearing from the parties on the subject. However, the

Commission will consider revisions to the procedure based upon the timely suggestions of any party.

The Commission finds that the following schedule and conditions should be applied to the show cause hearing in this matter:

(A) The show cause hearing shall take the form of an on-the-record presentation. Such presentation shall be in the form of an oral argument. No examination or cross-examination by any party shall be permitted.

(B) Any preliminary matters regarding the show cause hearing will be taken up and disposed of at the prehearing conference now set for January 18, 2000, at 10:00 a.m.

(C) The show cause hearing shall commence promptly at 1:30 p.m., with the Commissioners in attendance. Each party shall be permitted a brief opening statement.

(D) Complainant and its attorneys shall make the first presentation. As the Order of January 6, 2000, makes clear, their burden shall be to persuade the Commission that no sanction should be imposed, whether because no misconduct occurred, no party was prejudiced thereby, or because of some other theory. Counsel may expect questions from the Commission and shall be prepared to answer.

(E) The other parties shall, in turn, make presentations to the Commission as to the nature of the sanctions, if any, to be imposed on Complainant or its attorneys or both. The order of presentation shall be, following Complainant, the Office of the Public Counsel, the Staff of the Commission, and Kansas City Power and Light Company. Questions from the Commission may be expected.

(F) Complainant shall be given an opportunity to respond following the presentations of the other parties.

(G) The Commission shall take the matter under advisement and shall issue its decision in the form of a written Order, after deliberations in its regularly scheduled Agenda sessions.

(H) Any party desiring to submit written suggestions regarding this matter for consideration by the Commission, or to comment on this procedural Notice, must file the same no later than 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 13, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 7th day of January, 2000.

Thompson, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge.

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

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and

I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 7TH day of January 2000.



Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge