Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 2300 Jefferson City, Missouri



Dear Commissioners:

We are owner/operators of a business near Weston, Missouri. Our business is an Assisted Living Center for the elderly. Our clients are from the immediate surrounding area and have chosen to live at our facility because they wish to remain in close proximity to family, friends and church community.

Presently our electric bill is approximately \$7500/year. If this were to be increased by an amount such as 15 to 20 percent, we would be required to raise our rental rates. For the most part our clients are working with a fixed income budget. Since we are a relatively small facility, 8 to 9 apartments, we do not have the "economy of scale" to use to our advantage. Thus, this potential increase can be defined as a "hardship" for our clientele.

It is our understanding that KCP&L is planning to build a coal-fired power plant twice the size of the existing plant at the Iatan site. When this project was first proposed, the Weston Community was informed that the new Power Plant would provide power to cities in states **other** than Kansas and Missouri. Your "Notice of Public Hearing" indicated that the rate increase

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funding is designed to meet the growing demand by Missouri customers in the Kansas City Area. Please publish your response to the following:

- 1) How much power is presently bought or sold outside the KC Area?
- Are the future projections of power used based on an increase in major/heavy manufacturing industries in the area? If so please indicate the percentage.

Note: Some leading economists in the U.S. and worldwide are predicting a substantial **decrease** in heavy manufacturing industries in the coming 25 years.

3) What percent of the projected budget of the long-term energy plan is related to power generation and what percent is related to power transmission and distribution?

Thank you for your responses to the above questions.

Sincerely, 1)MB

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