

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

In the Matter of the Joint Application)  
of Great Plains Energy Incorporated,                     )  
Kansas City Power & Light                                     )  
Company, and Aquila, Inc., for                             )  
Approval of the Merger of Aquila,                         )  
Inc., with a Subsidiary of Great                             )  
Plains Energy Incorporated and for                         )  
Other Related Relief   )

**Case No. EM-2007-0374**

**STAFF’S RESPONSE TO THE COMMISSION’S APRIL 14, 2008  
ORDER DIRECTING FILINGS AND REQUEST FOR LEAVE TO LATE-FILE**

**Comes now** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) in response to the April 14, 2008, 2008 Order of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission), directing Staff to file a response indicating either its withdraw of Staff’s Motion to Compel and Request for Expedited Treatment as moot, or stating, with particularity, reasons why said Motion has not been rendered moot by subsequent actions of Kansas City Power & Light (KCPL), and requests leave to late-file. The Staff hereby withdraws its April 11, 2008 Motion to Compel and Request for Expedited Treatment as moot. In support, the Staff states as follows:

1.       Undersigned counsel was unable to timely file this response, and apologizes for any inconvenience this delay may have caused or may cause the Commissioners, the Regulatory Law Judge and the parties.
2.       Staff has been provided, by KCPL, with a copy of the “Blanc Report,” which was sought by Staff’s Motion to Compel and Request for Expedited Treatment.

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**Wherefore** the Staff hereby requests permission to late-file this response, and withdraws, as moot, its April 11, 2008 Motion to Compel and Request for Expedited Treatment.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to all counsel of record this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008.