STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 5th day of August, 1997.

In the matter of Kansas City Power & Light)	
Company regarding the incident at LaCygne)	
Unit #1 in Linn County, Kansas, on)	<u>Case No. ES-96-100</u>
July 1, 1995.)	

ORDER REGARDING STAFF RECOMMENDATION

On February 23, 1996 the Commission issued its Order Regarding an Incident of July 1, 1995. As a part of that order, the Commission adopted the recommendations of the Staff of the Commission (Staff) and ordered Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCPL) to comply with those recommendations as soon as practical.

On July 11, 1997 the Staff filed a request to close this docket stating that KCPL has, or is in the process of complying with the Staff recommendation. The Staff states that it has reviewed the report filed by KCPL and visited the plant where the incident occurred to assess the progress being made. The Staff states that it found KCPL has, or will purchase plant control simulators for all power plants and will implement retraining programs for its operating personnel in compliance with two of the principal recommendations of the Staff. The Staff requests this docket be closed.

The Commission has reviewed the Staff recommendation together with the original Commission order in this docket issued February 23, 1996. This docket should remain open until KCPL fully complies with the original Commission order and all parties agree that full compliance has been made. The Commission would note that almost one and one-half years have elapsed

since the Commission originally ordered KCPL to comply with the various Staff recommendations. The Staff states in its recommendation that full compliance will not be made until approximately January 1998, over two and one-half years from the date of the original occurrence.

This was a serious and expensive occurrence. The Commission expects KCPL's best and fullest effort to fully comply with the Commission's order of February 23, 1996 to ensure this type of incident does not reoccur.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the recommendation of the Staff is rejected and this docket will remain open until compliance in full with the Commission's order of February 23, 1996 is achieved.
 - 2. That this order shall become effective on the date hereof.

BY THE COMMISSION

Cecil I. Wright
Executive Secretary

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Zobrist, Chm., Crumpton, Drainer, Murray, and Lumpe, CC., Concur.

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