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#### **DIRECT TESTIMONY**

**OF** 

LINDA J. NUNN

ON BEHALF OF

KCP&L GREATER MISSOURI OPERATIONS COMPANY

Kansas City, Missouri December 2011

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# LINDA J. NUNN

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1	Q:	Please state your name and business address.
2	A:	My name is Linda J. Nunn. My business address is 1200 Main, Kansas City,
3		Missouri 64105.
4	Q:	By whom and in what capacity are you employed?
5	A:	I am employed by Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCP&L") as Lead
6		Regulatory Analyst, Regulatory Affairs.
7	Q:	What are your responsibilities?
8	A:	My general responsibilities include the preparation of rate cases and rate case
9		support for both KCP&L and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company
10		("Company" or "GMO"). I am responsible for most aspects of the GMO Fuel
11		Adjustment Clause ("FAC") as well as the GMO Steam Quarterly Cost
12		Adjustment ("QCA"). I am also responsible for various regulatory reporting and
13		general activities as they relate to the Missouri Public Service Commission
14		("MPSC" or "Commission").
15	Q:	Please describe your education.
16	A:	I received a Bachelors of Science Degree in Business Administration with a
17		concentration in Accounting from Northwest Missouri State University in
18		Maryville, Missouri.
19	Q:	Please provide your work experience.

'	A:	I became a Senior Regulatory Analyst with KCP&L in 2008, as a part of the
2		merger between KCP&L and Aquila, Inc. Prior to my employment with KCP&L,
3		I was employed by Aquila, Inc. for a total of eleven years. In addition to
4		Regulatory, I have had experience in Accounting, Audit, and Business Services,
5		where I had responsibility for guiding restructuring within the delivery division.
6		In addition to my utility experience I was the business manager and controller for
7		two area churches. Prior to that, I was an external auditor with Ernst & Whinney.
8	Q:	Have you previously testified in a proceeding before the MPSC or before any
9		other utility regulatory agency?
10	A:	I have provided written testimony in various filings made before the MPSC
11		relating to KCP&L GMO's FAC. I have also worked closely with many MPSC
12		Staff on numerous filings as well as on rate case issues.
13	Q:	What is the purpose of your testimony?
14	A:	GMO consists of two rate jurisdictions identified as All Territories Served as L&P
15		and MPS ("L&P" and "MPS," respectively). This FAC tariff filing consists of a
16		Cost Adjustment Factor ("CAF") for each of the rate jurisdictions. My testimony
17		supports the rate schedule filed by GMO to adjust rates for the FAC includable
18		costs experienced during the six-month period June 2011 through November
19		2011. This six-month period is the ninth accumulation period under GMO's
20		FAC, which was originally approved by the Commission in Case No. ER-2007-
21		0004 ("2007 Case") and modified in Case Nos. ER-2009-0090 and ER-2010-0356
22		("2010 Case"). The proposed change will result in a decrease to a typical MPS

1 residential customer's bill of approximately \$0.61 per month and an increase of 2 approximately \$3.29 per month to a typical L&P residential customer's bill. 3 O: Please explain why GMO filed the FAC adjustment rate schedules at this 4 time. 5 A: The Commission's rule governing fuel and purchased power cost recovery 6 mechanisms for electric utilities – specifically 4 CSR 240-20.090(4) – requires 7 GMO to make periodic filings to allow the Commission to review the actual net 8 FAC includable costs the Company has incurred and to allow rates to be adjusted, 9 either up or down, to reflect those actual costs. The Commission's rule requires at 10 least one such review and adjustment each year. GMO's approved FAC calls for 11 two annual filings – one filing covering the six-month accumulation period 12 running from June through November and another filing covering the 13 accumulation period running from December through May. Any increases or 14 decreases in rates in these filings are then collected from or refunded to customers 15 over a subsequent twelve-month recovery period. Since the conclusion of the 16 2007 Case and the rebased fuel costs ordered in the 2010 Case, the costs of fuel 17 and purchased power necessary to meet the demand for electricity by the 18 Company's customers has been higher than the amount included in the base 19 energy costs. A number of factors caused these costs to be higher, including the 20 following: (i) higher natural gas; (ii) higher purchased power costs; and (iii) 21 higher coal and freight costs. In addition, during the current six-month 22 accumulation period, the L&P service territory was significantly impacted by the 23 2011 Missouri River flooding. The flooding resulted in major disruptions of rail

1		service for coal deliveries, forcing the Company to engage in coal conservation
2		and reduce generation at certain of the Company's coal units. Reduced
3		availability of coal units resulted in increased use of more expensive generation
4		and purchased power
5		For the accumulation period June 2011 through November 2011, GMO's actual
6		FAC includable costs exceeded the base costs included in base rates by
7		approximately \$26.9 million. In accordance with the Commission's rule and
8		GMO's approved FAC, GMO is filing the FAC tariff that provides for an increase
9		in rates to recover 95% of those cost increases.
10	Q:	How did you develop the various values used to derive the proposed CAF
11		that are shown on Schedule LJN-1?
12	A:	The proposed tariff rates are shown in Schedule LJN-1. The filing made in
13		conjunction with this testimony contains all of the information as set in 4 CSR
14		240-3.161(7)(A) which supports these proposed rates. In addition, I am
15		submitting a copy of the workpapers that support the determination of the current
16		CAF.
17	Q:	Please describe the impact of the increase in costs and how it will affect a
18		typical customer.
19	A:	As stated above, GMO consists of two rate jurisdictions. This FAC tariff filing
20		consists of a CAF for each of the rate jurisdictions. The CAF for the current
21		period is \$0.0021 per kWh for primary voltage customers and \$0.0021 per kWh
22		for secondary voltage customers for MPS and \$0.0045 per kWh for primary
23		voltage customers and \$0.0047 per kWh for secondary voltage customers for

L&P. This is the difference between base FAC includable costs and the actual costs incurred by the Company during the June - November accumulation period over a recovery period running from March 2012 through February 2013. The proposed CAF was calculated in the manner specified in the Company's FAC. Attached to my testimony, as Schedule LJN-1, is a copy of the tariff sheet with the current CAF, the prior period CAF and the total CAF that will be billed to customers over the recovery period. The CAF calculated for the seventh accumulation period has been removed as its recovery period will cease on February 29, 2012. The CAF for the eight accumulation period is added to the CAF for the current accumulation period to provide the annual CAF. Thus, given the proposed current CAF calculations, the annual CAF for MPS will be \$0.0040 per kWh for primary voltage customers and \$0.0040 per kWh for secondary voltage customers and \$0.0063 per kWh for primary voltage customers and \$0.0065 per kWh for secondary voltage customers for L&P. As stated earlier, this will result in a decrease to a typical MPS residential customer's bill of approximately \$0.61 per month and an increase of approximately \$3.29 per month to a typical L&P residential customer's bill. If the rate schedules filed by GMO are approved or allowed to go into effect, what safeguards exist to ensure that the revenues the Company collects do not exceed the fuel and purchased power costs that GMO actually incurred during the Accumulation Period? GMO's FAC and the Commission's rules provide two mechanisms to ensure that amounts collected from customers do not exceed GMO's actual, prudently-

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incurred fuel and purchased power costs. First, at the end of each recovery period the Company is required to true up the amounts collected from customers through the CAF with the excess fuel and purchased power costs that actually were incurred during the accumulation period to which the CAF applies. Second, GMO's fuel and purchased power costs are subject to periodic prudence reviews to ensure that only prudently-incurred fuel and purchased power costs are collected from customers through GMO's FAC. These two mechanisms serve as checks to ensure that the Company's customers pay only the prudently-incurred. actual costs of fuel and purchased power used to provide electric service. Have each of these mechanisms been in effect throughout the FAC process since its inception in the 2007 Case? Yes, GMO has been through two prudence reviews as well as five true-up filings. A prudence review of the first four accumulation periods has been completed and the MPSC Staff indicated in each of their reports that there were no areas of imprudence identified within the audits. In addition, the Company has made five true-up filings following the completion of the recovery periods for the first through fifth accumulation periods. These true-up filings were approved by the Missouri Public Service Commission. Additionally, a sixth true-up filing is being made concurrent with this filing covering the sixth accumulation period of December 2009 through May 2010 and its corresponding recovery period of September 2010 through August 2011. The Company's calculation of the over recovery for both MPS and L&P has been included in the calculation of the current proposed tariff change.

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1	Q:	Are there any other adjustments included in the current semi-annual filing?
2	A:	Yes, there are two. Through internal review of previous filings, it was determined
3		that GMO had inadvertently included interest costs different from the rates stated
4		in its testimony. Those rates have been corrected for the months June 2009
5		through May 2011. This correction provided for a reduction of interest costs of
6		\$231,281 for MPS and \$26,753 for L&P. This correction has been made within
7		the interest line of the current CAF calculation. In addition, the MPSC issued an
8		order on September 9, 2011 in Case No. EO-2008-0216 directing the Company to
9		refund amounts accumulated during the first 34 days of the original FAC. Those
10		accumulated amounts plus interest amounted to refunds of \$2,015,472 for MPS
11		and \$494,469 for L&P. These refunds have been included in the current CAF
12		calculation on the "Adjustment for Under / Over recovery for prior periods and
13		Modifications due to prudence reviews (C)" line of the current CAF calculation.
14	Q:	What action is GMO requesting from the Commission with respect to the
15		rate schedules that the Company has filed?
16	A:	The Company requests the Commission approve the rate schedules to be effective
17		as of March 1, 2012.
18	Q:	Does this conclude your testimony?
19	A:	Yes, it does.

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company for Authority to Implement Rate Adjustments Required by 4 CSR 240-20.090(4) and the Company's Approved Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Mechanism  Case No.			
AFFIDAVIT OF LINDA J. NUNN			
STATE OF MISSOURI )			
COUNTY OF JACKSON ) ss			
Linda J. Nunn, being first duly sworn on his oath, states:			
1. My name is Linda J. Nunn. I work in Kansas City, Missouri, and I am employed			
by Kansas City Power & Light Company as Lead Regulatory Analyst, Regulatory Affairs.			
2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my Direct Testimony			
on behalf of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company For All Territories Served As L&P			
and MPS, consisting of Seven (1) pages, having been prepared in written form for			
introduction into evidence in the above-captioned docket.			
3. I have knowledge of the matters set forth therein. I hereby swear and affirm that			
my answers contained in the attached testimony to the questions therein propounded, including			
any attachments thereto, are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information and			
belief.  Linda J. Nunn			
Subscribed and sworn before me this 22 day of December 2011.			
Notary Public			
My commission expires:    Nicole A. Wehry			

STATE OF MISSOURI, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMIS	SSION
P.S.C. MO. No1	1 <sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 127.10
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# **COST ADJUSTMENT FACTOR**

		MPS	L&P
Accumulation Period Ending		11/30/11	11/30/11
1 Total Energy Cost (TEC)		\$96,894,478	\$33,178,953
2 Base energy cost (B)	-	\$81,334,161	\$21,805,587
3 First Interim Total		\$15,560,317	\$11,373,365
4 Jurisdictional Factor (J)	*	99.487%	100%
5 Second Interim Total		\$15,480,419	\$11,373,365
6 Customer Responsibility	*	95%	95%
7 Third Interim Total		\$14,706,398	\$10,804,697
8 Adjustment for Under / Over recovery for prior	+		
periods and Modifications due to prudence reviews			
(C)		(\$2,308,607)	(\$640,753)
9 Interest (I)	+	\$311,224	\$142,857
10 Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment (FPA)			
		\$12,709,015	\$10,306,802
11 RNSI	÷	6,397,984,427	2,319,519,285
12 Fourth Interim Total		\$0.0020	\$0.0044
13 Current period CAF <sub>Prim</sub> (= Line 12 * XF <sub>Prim</sub> )		\$0.0021	\$0.0045
14 Previous period CAF <sub>Prim</sub>	+	\$0.0019	\$0.0018
15 Current annual CAF <sub>Prim</sub>		\$0.0040	\$0.0063
16 Current period CAF <sub>Sec</sub> (= Line 12 * XF <sub>Sec</sub> )		\$0.0021	\$0.0047
17 Previous period CAF <sub>Sec</sub>	+	\$0.0019	\$0.0018
18 Current annual CAF <sub>Sec</sub>		\$0.0040	\$0.0065

Expansion Factors (XF): Territory: **Primary** Secondary 1.0419 MPS 1.0712 L&P 1.0421 1.0701

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