

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 15th day of August, 2019.

In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations)	
Company Request for Authority to Implement Rate)	
Adjustments Required by 4 CSR 240-20.090(8))	<u>File No.: ER-2019-0413</u>
And the Company's Approved Fuel and Purchased)	Tariff No.: JE-2019-0232
Power Cost Recovery Mechanism)	

In the Matter of the Application of KCP&L)	
Greater Missouri Operations Company,)	<u>File No.: ER-2019-0414</u>
Containing Its Semi-Annual Fuel Adjustment)	
Clause True-Up)	

**ORDER REJECTING FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE TARIFF,
SCHEDULING A PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE AND
DIRECTING THE FILING OF A REVISED TARIFF**

Issue Date: August 15, 2019

Effective Date: August 31, 2019

On June 28, 2019, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company ("GMO") submitted an application containing its 21st recovery period true-up filing for its fuel and purchased power adjustment clause ("FAC") in Commission File No. ER-2019-0414. GMO also sought approval of the fuel adjustment rates ("FARs") used to calculate its FAC charge to customers for accumulation period 24 ("AP 24") in Commission File No. ER-2019-0413. GMO requested the Commission authorize these adjustments by revised FAC tariff sheet, Tracking No. JE-2019-0232. The tariff sheet's effective date is September 1, 2019.

After reviewing GMO's filings, the Commission's Staff filed a recommendation the Commission approve the proposed true-up and allow GMO's Sheet No. 127.23, as substituted July 25, 2019, to take effect on September 1, 2019, by operation of law. On August 5, 2019, the Office of Public Counsel ("OPC") filed its Response to Staff

Recommendation. OPC opposed Staff's recommendation for the stated reasons that GMO's substitute tariff sheet includes a \$311,381.00 cost for auxiliary power GMO uses for steam operations at its Lake Road station and includes a \$518,248.00 cost for propane and coal removal at the retired Sibley generation facility. On August 12, 2019, Staff and GMO replied to OPC. They argued OPC's calculations were incorrect, the adjustments (properly calculated) were in accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-20.090, and, in any event, the issues in question were either now pending or should be determined in prudence review proceedings.

As the adjustments at issue are alleged not to be in accordance with the rule, Section 386.266, RSMo, and the FAC mechanism established in the electric utility's most recent general rate proceedings, the Commission will order the following, all in accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-20.090(8)H.3: reject the substitute tariff, JE-2019-0232; suspend the timeline of the FAR adjustment filing; set a prehearing date; order the parties to propose a procedural schedule; and order the Company to file a tariff sheet to implement interim adjusted FARs to reflect that part of the proposed adjustment that is not in question. In doing so, the Commission makes no finding whether the substitute tariff JE-2019-0232 is in accordance with the rules, statutes, and FAC mechanism established in the Company's most recent general rate case. The Commission will make such findings after hearing the evidence presented by the parties. The Commission will make no findings regarding the true-up amount for recovery period 21 at this time. As the rejected tariff with tracking number JE-2019-0232 has an effective date of September 1, 2019, the Commission will make this order effective on August 31, 2019.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The tariff assigned Tracking No. JE-2019-0232 is rejected.
2. The timeline of the FAR adjustment filing is suspended.
3. The case is set for prehearing on September 5, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.
4. The prehearing conference will convene in Room 305 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. The building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs accommodations to participate in the conference or hearing shall contact the Commission, no later than the day before the conference. Such contact shall be through the Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711.
5. Any party that wants to participate in the prehearing conference by telephone may do so by dialing **877-820-7831** and entering access code **35666479#** at the time set for the beginning of the conference.
6. The parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule no later than September 12, 2019.
7. KCPL Greater Missouri Operations Company shall file tariff sheet(s) to implement interim adjusted fuel adjustment rates to reflect any part of the proposed adjustment that is not in question.
8. This order shall be effective on August 31, 2019.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Kenney, Hall, Rupp, and
Coleman, CC., concur.

Graham, Regulatory Law Judge