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# **MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

### UTILITY OPERATIONS DIVISION

# SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY

### OF

# WALT CECIL

# KCP&L GREATER MISSOURI OPERATIONS COMPANY

#### CASE NO. ER-2009-0090

Jefferson City, Missouri April 2009

#### **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

#### **OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of ) KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations ) Company for Approval to Make Certain ) Changes in its Charges for Electric ) Service.

Case No. ER-2009-0090

#### **AFFIDAVIT OF WALT CECIL**

#### **STATE OF MISSOURI** ) ) ss **COUNTY OF COLE** )

Walt Cecil, of lawful age, on his oath states: that he has participated in the preparation of the following Surrebuttal Testimony in question and answer form, consisting of 3 pages of Surrebuttal Testimony to be presented in the above case, that the answers in the following Surrebuttal Testimony were given by him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such answers; and that such matters are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  $\underline{\mathscr{S}}^{\mathcal{H}}$  day of April, 2009.



SUSAN L. SUNDERMEYER My Commission Expires September 21, 2010 Callaway County Commission #06942086

Notary Public

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4 5	KCP&L GREATER MISSOURI OPERATIONS COMPANY
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7	Q. Please state your name and business address.
8	A. My name is Walt Cecil and my business address is Governor Office Building,
9	200 Madison Street, Suite 700, P. O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.
10	Q. Are you the same Walt Cecil that previously prefiled direct and rebuttal
11	testimony in this case on February 27, 2009 and on March 19, 2009, respectively?
12	A. Yes.
13	Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?
14	A. The purpose of this testimony is to respond to the concept of "re-basing" as
15	described the rebuttal testimony of Mr. Tim Rush filed on behalf of KCP&L Greater Missouri
16	Operations Company (GMO) and to comment on the difference in the rate designs he
17	proposed for Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCPL) in ER-2009-0089 and for GMO
18	in ER-2009-0090.
19	Q. To what does Mr. Rush refer by his use of the term "re-basing?"
20	A. In Mr. Rush's GMO rebuttal testimony, page 4, lines 6 and 7, he states,
21	"Staff's position does not recognize the fuel cost re-base in its rate design and therefore
22	should be dismissed."
23	Q. Is this an accurate representation of Staff's rate design?

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A. No it is not. Staff accounts for what Mr. Rush calls "re-basing" by using revenue requirement in the determination of permanent rates that includes the annualized, normalized fuel expense. This is the traditional manner in which these costs have been treated. The fuel adjustment charge base rate will be changed based on this annualized, normalized fuel expense. Only future deviations from the *base* fuel cost are recovered or refunded by the Fuel Adjustment Charge mechanism.

Q. Please describe the rate design Mr. Rush proposed for KCPL in Case No. ER2009-0089.

9 A. In Mr. Rush's direct testimony in ER-2009-0089, on page 9, lines 20-22, he
10 states, "I then recommend that the increase in revenue requirement in this case be spread on
11 an equal percentage basis to all rates."

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Q. Please describe the rate design he proposed for GMO.

A. In Mr. Rush's direct testimony in ER-2009-0090, on page 7, lines 11-14, he states, "I am proposing a percentage increase of the non-fuel portion of the proposed rate increase. The rebase amount would be included as a per kWh component in the rates. I am proposing to rebase the fuel costs to equal the expected costs for the test period filed in this case."

18 Q. Please address the dichotomy between the proposals Mr. Rush recommended19 for KCPL and GMO.

A. For KCPL Mr. Rush proposes to treat fuel cost recovery differently than he does for GMO. In KCPL Case No. ER-2009-0089, a case in which a class cost-of-service study was filed, he recommends that the entire rate increase be spread to the classes on an equal percentage bases. In this case, in the absence of a class cost-of-service study, he

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proposes that the total revenue increase be somehow split between fuel costs and non-fuel
 costs, and then spread to the classes by two different allocation methods, which would result
 in unequal percentage increases to the classes.

- 4 These recommendations are inconsistent.
  - Q. How should the FAC bear on the determination of rates?
- A. The existence or non-existence of an FAC should have no bearing on how cost
  increases are allocated to the classes.
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Q. Please restate Staff's position.

A. In the absence of a class cost-of-service study which would justify an interclass shifting of revenue responsibilities prepared for and filed in this case, the Staff
recommends that any overall revenue increase granted to GMO be accomplished by an equal
percentage increase to each customer class and within each class to each rate component of
each rate schedule.

Does this conclude your surrebuttal testimony?

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- A. Yes.

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