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Case No.: EC-2011-0383

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION UTILITY DIVISION

BRIARCLIFF DEVELOPMENT COMPANY CASE NO. EC-2011-0383

> DIRECT TESTIMONY OF NATHANIEL HAGEDORN

September 8, 2011

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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BRIARCLIFF DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, A Missouri Corporation,))
COMPLAINANT))
v .) Case No. EC-2011-0383
KANSAS CITY POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY,) } }
RESPONDENT)))
AFFIDAVIT OF NATHANIEL HAGEDORN	
STATE OF MISSOURI) COUNTY OF CLAY)	·
Nathaniel Hagedorn, of lawful age, on his oath states: That he has reviewed the attached written testimony in question and answer form, all to be presented in the above case, that the answers in the attached written testimony were given by him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such answers; that such matters are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.	
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	Nathaniel Hagedorn
Subscribed and sworn to before me this $_$ $\&$ day of September, 2011	
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My Commission expires: 4-3-15	State of Missouri Commissioned for Clay County My Commission Expires: April 03, 2015 Commission Number: 11389816

BRIARCLIFF DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

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- 1Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS.
- 2A. My name is Nathaniel Hagedorn. My business address is
- 3 Briarcliff Development Company, 4151 N. Mulberry Street,
- 4 Kansas City, MO 64116.

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- 6Q: ON WHOSE BEHALF ARE YOU APPEARING?
- 7A: Briarcliff Development Company.

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- 9Q: WHAT IS YOUR POSITION WITH BRIARCLIFF DEVELOPMENT COMPANY?
- 10A: I am Chief Operating Officer ("COO") of the Company.

- 12Q: PLEASE STATE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND AND WORK
- 13 **EXPERIENCE**.
- 14A: I graduated from UMKC in 2002. Upon graduation, I started
- with Briarcliff Development as a project manager eventually
- 16 becoming COO. I am also president of Briarcliff Realty.
- 17 I am in charge of all property management and leasing for

all the Briarcliff office buildings. I also led the

construction of the retail center (Briarcliff Village), the

9-story Hilltop Office and various smaller buildings around

our development. I worked very closely with Grubb and

5 Ellis/The Winbury Group when they managed the Briarcliff

6 properties.

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8Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY?

The purpose of my testimony is to present Briarcliff's 9A: 10 position in an effort to convince the Commission to rule in 11 Briarcliff's favor and find that Briarcliff Development's Briarcliff One office building continuously qualified for 12 the frozen all-electric rate that it was receiving from KCPL 13 14 prior to the time Briarcliff Development terminated its outside property manager and began managing Briarcliff One 15 16 and its other office buildings in-house commencing on August 5, 2009. 17

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19Q. WHAT IS THE BACKGROUND UNDERLYING THE COMPLAINT?

20A: Briarcliff One is located at 4100 N. Mulberry Street, Kansas
21 City, MO 64116. Briarcliff Development has continuously
22 owned Briarcliff One office building since it was developed
23 in 1999. In the development of the Briarcliff One office
24 building, KCPL was instrumental in Briarcliff Development's

- decision to develop it as an all-electric building to be
- 2 served under KCPL's all-electric rate schedule with its more
- 3 favorable winter rate.
- 4 Briarcliff One was served under KCPL's Large General Service
- 5 All Electric rate schedule (1LGAE) commencing January 25,
- 6 2001. Prior to that, from May 17, 1999 to January 25, 1999,
- 7 it was served on KCPL's Medium General Service All Electric
- 8 rate schedule (1MGAE).
- 9 However, effective August 5, 2009, KCPL commenced billing
- 10 the Briarcliff One building at its Large General Service
- 11 rate (1LGSE) due to the Winbury Group advising KCPL that it
- 12 was no longer its property manager and that Briarcliff
- 13 Development had taken the management of the building in
- 14 house and requested that KCPL begin billing Briarcliff
- Development for service at 4100 N. Mulberry Drive. (See KCPL
- 16 Answer, Paragraph 30.)
- 17 Since such date, despite efforts to get KCPL to change its
- decision, KCPL has billed the Briarcliff One building at the
- 19 1LGSE rate resulting in higher charges for service in the
- 20 winter months for the Briarcliff One building since August
- 5, 2009 through today's date than it would have paid for
- 22 such period under the all-electric 1LGAE rate. According to
- our analysis, for the period starting 9/17/2009 through
- 24 4/18/2011, Briarcliff One has paid \$15,550.15 more under the

- 1 1LGSE rate than it would have paid under the 1LGAE rate.
- 2 (See Briarcliff's Clarification of Amount in Dispute filed
- 3 with the Commission on June 8, 2011.)

- 5Q. OTHER THAN A CHANGE IN PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, WAS THERE ANY
- OTHER CHANGE IN THE BRIARCLIFF ONE BUILDING'S OPERATIONS
- 7 THAT WOULD HAVE CAUSED IT TO HAVE ITS RATE CHANGED FROM ALL
- ELECTRIC TO GENERAL SERVICE?
- 9A. No. Briarcliff Development still continued to own the
- 10 building and lease space to tenants and it still continued
- 11 to be an all-electric building and receive electricity from
- 12 KCPL. The only change was the termination of the property
- manager and asking KCPL to bill the owner, Briarcliff
- Development, at the 4100 N. Mulberry address. As a result
- of such change, KCPL began billing the Briarcliff One
- 16 building at the standard rate instead of the all-electric
- 17 rate.

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Q. WHAT WAS KCPL'S EXPLANATION FOR THE CHANGE IN RATES?

- 21A. KCPL claimed that due to the change in customer name, i.e.,
- 22 from Winbury Realty to Briarcliff Development, the property
- 23 no longer qualified for the all-electric tariff because the
- 24 Commission restricted the rate to existing customers as of
- 25 January 1, 2008 for so long as they remain on the all-

- electric rate. Further, according to KCPL, this also meant
- 2 that if the customer name changes on an account served by
- these tariffs, the account must be changed to a standard
- 4 electric tariff.

6Q: DO YOU AGREE WITH KCPL'S EXPLANATION?

- 7A: No. While the Commission did order the all-electric rate to
- 8 be frozen in its Report and Order issued on December 6,
- 9 2007, in KCPL's Rate Case ER-2007-0291, as clarified on
- December 21, 2007, however, neither I nor our counsel agree
- 11 that the clear language of the freeze applied to an existing
- 12 customer who terminated its property manager and requested a
- change in the name on the billing from its former agent, the
- 14 property manager, to the owner, when the customer continues
- to remain the owner of the all-electric building and the
- only change is substituting the owner's name for the name of
- 17 the customer's former agent.

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19Q: WHAT WAS THE LANGUAGE THE COMMISSION USED TO FREEZE THE ALL-

- 20 ELECTRIC TARIFFS?
- 21A: What the Commission stated with respect to the freeze in
- 22 all-electric rates in Case No. ER-2007-0291 as clarified in
- its subsequent Order dated December 21, 2007, may be
- 24 paraphrased as follows:
- The availability of KCPL's general service all-

electric tariffs should be restricted to those
qualifying customers' commercial and industrial
physical locations being served under such allelectric tariffs as of January 1, 2008 and such rates
should only be available to such customers for so long
as they continuously remain on that rate schedule
(i.e., the all-electric rate schedule they are on as
of such date).

A review of such language discloses that there is nothing in it saying that "if the customer name changes on an account served by these tariffs, the account must be changed to a standard electric tariff." Apparently, KCPL made that up itself. The freeze merely restricts the all-electric rate to those qualifying customers' commercial and industrial physical locations being served under such all-electric tariffs as of January 1, 2008 for so long as they continuously remain on that all-electric rate schedule.

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- OTHER THAN THE CHANGE FROM AN OUTSIDE PROPERTY MANAGER TO
 BRIARCLIFF DEVELOPMENT MANAGING THE PROPERTY IN HOUSE, HAS
 THERE BEEN ANY OTHER CHANGE IN OPERATIONS?
- No. In the case of Briarcliff One, there has been no change in the physical location of the Briarcliff One building being served under the all-electric rate. Nor has there

been a change in the qualifying customer. Briarcliff 1 Development continues to own and operate Briarcliff One and 2 leasing space therein to tenants as it has since 1999 and 3 Briarcliff One has continuously been supplied with electricity by KCPL since 1999. The only changes are that 5 Briarcliff Development now manages the property in house rather than with an outside property manager and on August 5, 2009 KCPL commenced billing for service at the building at the standard electric rate instead of the all-electric 10 rate it had been served under since January 25, 2001. 11 KCPL not changed the billing on its own, the building would have been continuously on the all-electric rate schedule 12 13 since Briarcliff Development definitely did not and would 14 not request a change in rates. See Schedule NH-1, a copy of the last bill to Winbury Realty for the Briarcliff One 15 building dated August 6, 2009 at the 1LGAE rate and the 16 first bill to Briarcliff Development for the Briarcliff One 17 18 building dated August 24, 2009 at the 1LGSE rate.

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WHAT DO KCPL'S TARIFFS SAY ABOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF THE 200: 21 1LGAE ALL-ELECTRIC RATE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008?

KCPL's tariff, P.S.C. MO No. 7, Third Revised Sheet No. 19, 22 A: issued December 13, 2007, effective January 1, 2008, (a copy 23 24 of which is attached as Schedule NH-2 states the following

- 1 with respect to the continued availability of the 1LGAE
- 2 rate: "This Schedule is available only to Customers'
- 3 physical locations currently taking service under this
- 4 Schedule and who are served hereunder continuously
- thereafter." Under such rule, the all-electric schedule is
- 6 available for customers' physical locations currently taking
- 7 service and continuously being served under it thereafter.
- 8 This is the case with Briarcliff One. The rule does not
- 9 say, as KCPL would wish it said, that if the customer name
- 10 changes on an account served by these tariffs, the account
- must be changed to a standard electric tariff. Under the
- definition of customer in KCPL's tariffs, Briarcliff
- 13 Development as owner of the building has been a customer of
- 14 KCPL at such building all along.

16Q: HOW DO KCPL'S TARIFFS DEFINE THE WORD CUSTOMER?

- 17A: KCPL's General Rules and Regulations Applying to Electric
- 18 Service, P.S.C. MO. No. 2, Sheet 1.05, defines Customer as
- 19 follows:

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"1.04 CUSTOMER: Any person applying for, receiving, using, or agreeing to take a class of electric service supplied by the Company under one rate schedule at a single point of delivery at and for use within the premise either (a) occupied by such persons, or (b) as may, with the consent of the Company, be designated in the service application or by other means acceptable to the Company." [Emphasis Added.]

10: HAS BRIARCLIFF DEVELOPMENT BEEN RECEIVING OR USING A CLASS 2 OF ELECTRIC SERVICE SUPPLIED BY KCPL AT BRIARCLIFF ONE UNDER ONE RATE SCHEDULE AT A SINGLE POINT OF DELIVERY AT AND FOR USE WITHIN THE PREMISE OCCUPIED BY BRIARCLIFF DEVELOPMENT AS CUSTOMER IS DEFINED? 6A: Briarcliff Development has been receiving and using electric service at Briarcliff One at a single point of delivery at and for use within the Briarcliff One building for use by Briarcliff Development and its tenants since It is currently and has been continuously since 1999, 10 11 a customer of KCPL, as defined by KCPL's tariffs, at the Briarcliff One physical location and qualifies for the 12 Frozen All-Electric rate. 13

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DO YOU KNOW HOW OR WHY THE BRIARCLIFF ONE ACCOUNT WAS OPENED 16 IN THE NAME OF WINBURY REALTY AND WHEN DID YOU BECOME AWARE 17 THAT IT WAS IN WINBURY'S NAME AND NOT IN BRIARCLIFF'S NAME? 18A: We do not know how or why the account was opened in the name 19 of Winbury Realty. The Winbury Group was our property manager under the Management Agreement and it is a 20 completely different corporation than Winbury Realty, albeit 21 with the same officers and board members. (See Schedule NH-3 22 23 and NH-4, the respective 1999 Annual Registration Reports for The Winbury Group of K.C., Inc. and Winbury Realty of 24

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K.C., Inc.). Apparently, anyone can just call KCPL and tell
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       them to open an account in a certain name and KCPL does so.
       Further, it was a violation of our Management Agreement with
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       The Winbury Group for it to open an account with an electric
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       company or any other utility or service provider in a name
       other than the "name of the Owner." See Schedule NH-5, a
       copy of the Management Agreement between Briarcliff West
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       Realty Company and The Winbury Group of K.C., Inc. dated
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       June 1, 1999, Paragraph 1.6. Briarcliff Development then
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       took the place of Briarcliff West Realty when the two
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       companies merged less than a month later effective on June
       28, 1999 with Briarcliff Development Company as the
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       surviving corporation and Briarcliff Development became the
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      owner under the Management Agreement. See Schedule NH-6, a
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      copy of the Articles of Merger and the Certificate of Merger
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       issued by the Secretary of State.
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      We did not even know it was in Winbury Realty's name until
      August of 2009 when we received copies of the utility
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      invoices for the active accounts for all the properties at
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      the Briarcliff development so that we could review the names
      of all its utility accounts and change billing addresses, if
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      needed, in anticipation of taking over the property
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      management in house. Of course, it did not matter whose
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      name the account was in until after January 1, 2008 when the
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- freeze on the all-electric rate became effective and KCPL
- 2 began billing at the standard electric rate for the sole
- 3 reason that the name under which it billed the account
- 4 changed.

6Q. WHAT ENTITY PAID THE KCPL BILLS ON THE BRIARCLIFF ONE

BUILDING AND WHOSE FUNDS WERE USED TO PAY THE BILLS?

- 8A. KCPL apparently does not care who paid the bill addressed to
- 9 Winbury Realty. Attached as Schedule NH-7 is a copy of a
- 10 bill to Winbury Realty at the service address of 4100 N.
- Mulberry, the location of the Briarcliff One building, dated
- 12 April 23, 2009 in the amount of \$3,902.15 and a copy of the
- 13 check in the amount of \$3,902.15 dated April 28, 2009 to
- 14 KCPL paid by The Winbury Group of Kansas City for the
- 15 Briarcliff One building. Of course, The Winbury Group paid
- 16 the KCPL bills out of the proceeds from the rental income
- 17 from Briarcliff Development's tenants in the Briarcliff One
- 18 building before remitting the profits to Briarcliff
- 19 Development. Thus, it was always Briarcliff Development's
- 20 funds regardless of whom the check to KCPL came from paying
- 21 the bill.
- 22 Briarcliff Development was always the owner of the building
- and the customer. The property manager, The Winbury Group,
- 24 was always Briarcliff Development's agent. Winbury Realty

1 had no role in this relationship except that KCPL

2 inexplicably listed it as the Customer Name on the bills.

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- 4Q. DOES BRIARCLIFF DEVELOPMENT HAVE OTHER BUILDINGS AT
- 5 BRIARCLIFF THAT WERE ON THE ALL-ELECTRIC RATE THAT HAVE NOT
- 6 BEEN CHANGED TO THE STANDARD ELECTRIC TARIFF DUE TO THE
- 7 CHANGE IN THE PROPERTY MANAGER?
- 8A. Yes. Both the Briarcliff Two building at 1201 Briarcliff
- 9 Parkway and the Briarcliff Three building at 4150 N.
- 10 Mulberry have continued on the all-electric rate despite the
- 11 change in the property manager from The Winbury Group to in
- 12 house management at the same time the Briarcliff One
- building property manager changed. The only difference
- 14 between the buildings is that the Briarcliff Two building
- 15 was billed in the name of Briarcliff Two and the Briarcliff
- 16 Three building was billed in the name of Briarcliff
- 17 Development both before and after the change in property
- 18 manager. See Schedule NH-8, a copy of the bills for the
- 19 Briarcliff Two building dated 12/23/2008 (before the change)
- and aa/20/2009 after the change showing that it was on the
- 21 1LGAE rate before and after the change. See Schedule NH-9,
- 22 a copy of the bills for the Briarcliff Three building for
- 23 the same billing periods.

- 1Q. IS THERE ANY DIFFERENCE IN OPERATIONS OR ANY OTHER REASON
- WHY KCPL RETAINED THESE BUILDINGS ON THE ALL-ELECTRIC RATE
- 3 WHEN THE BRIARCLIFF ONE BUILDING WAS NOT?
- 4A. No. Everything was the same except that they were not
- 5 billed in the name of Winbury Realty but were always billed
- in Briarcliff's name. In other words, under KCPL's
- 7 reasoning, the Briarcliff One building lost the all-electric
- 8 rate solely because it was billed by KCPL in the name of
- 9 Winbury Realty, a company that was not even involved in the
- 10 matter and consequently was not even a customer or
- 11 responsible party under KCPL's rules. A Responsible party
- is defined in Rule 1.21 as:

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1.21 **RESPONSIBLE PARTY:** Any adult, landlord, property management company, or owner applying for agreeing to take, and or receiving substantial use and benefit of electric service at a given premise.

- Obviously, since Winbury Realty was a non-player and in no
- 20 way received substantial use and benefit at the Briarcliff
- One building it was not a responsible party. Equally
- obvious, since Briarcliff Development, as a landlord and
- owner, was receiving substantial use and benefit of electric
- 24 service at the Briarcliff One building it was a responsible
- 25 party ever since it began receiving substantial use of
- 26 electric service from KCPL in 1999 and through today.
- 27 Briarcliff One was also a Customer of KCPL as defined in

- Rule 1.04 in that it was receiving and using electric
- 2 service at the Briarcliff One building continuously since
- 3 1999, a building it owned, occupied and leased space to
- 4 other parties also occupying the premises.

6Q. WHAT RELIEF ARE YOU ASKING THE COMMISSION TO PROVIDE?

- 7A. We are asking the Commission to see through the charade and
- 8 recognize that Briarcliff Development was a customer and
- 9 responsible party as defined in KCPL's rules since 1999 and
- was such on August 5, 2009 when KCPL arbitrarily determined
- 11 that it was not entitled to continue on the 1LGAE rate
- because the name on the account at such date was Winbury
- 13 Realty, a corporation that was not involved in the matter.
- 14 Further, that even if KCPL had listed the customer as The
- 15 Winbury Group, we are asking the Commission to recognize
- 16 that The Winbury Group was merely an agent of the owner,
- 17 Briarcliff Development, and that the change in the name of
- the account from an owner's agent to the owner's name did
- not violate the letter or the spirit of the Commission's
- 20 freeze order nor the Availability provision in the 1LGAE
- 21 tariff so that Briarcliff was entitled to have been
- 22 continuously served under the tariff even after the change
- in property manager. Finally, we are asking that the
- 24 Commission order KCPL to reinstitute the all-electric rate
- for Briarcliff Development retroactively to August 5, 2009

- and to rebill Briarcliff Development at the 1LGAE rate
- effective August 5, 2009 to date and to refund the
- overpayment due to placing Briarcliff Development on the
- 4 1LGSE rate instead of keeping it on the 1LGAE rate.

6Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY AT THIS TIME?

7A. Yes it does.