

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Entergy Arkansas, Inc.,)
Mid South TransCo LLC, Transmission Company Arkansas,)
LLC and ITC Midsouth LLC for Approval of Transfer of Assets) Case No. EO-2013-0396
and Certificate of Convenience and Necessity, and Merger and,)
in connection therewith, Certain Other Related Transactions.)

In the Matter of Entergy Arkansas, Inc.’s Notification of)
Intent to Change Functional Control of Its Missouri Electric)
Transmission Facilities to the Midwest Independent)
Transmission System Operator, Inc. Regional Transmission) Case No. EO-2013-0431
System Organization or Alternative Request to Change)
Functional Control and Motions for Waiver and Expedited)
Treatment.)

**KCP&L, GMO AND EMPIRE’S
RESPONSE TO MOTIONS TO REVISE BRIEFING SCHEDULE**

COME NOW, Kansas City Power & Light Company (“KCP&L”), KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (“GMO”) and The Empire District Electric Company (“Empire”) (collectively, the “Companies”), and in response to the Motions to Revise Briefing Schedule (“Motions”) filed by Entergy Arkansas, Inc. (“EAI”) and ITC Midsouth LLC (“ITC Midsouth”) on June 20, 2013, hereby state as follows:

1. On April 8, 2013, intervener Missouri Joint Municipal Electric Utility Commission (“MJMEUC”), along with the Companies, filed a Jointly Proposed Procedural Schedule in the above-captioned matters. Joint Applicants¹ filed a proposed procedural schedule that contained a significantly shorter time period for the Commission’s review, and evidentiary hearing, and the filing of post-hearing briefs.

¹ For the purposes of this pleading, Joint Applicants refers to Entergy Arkansas, Inc., Mid South TransCo LLC, Transmission Company Arkansas, LLC, and ITC Midsouth LLC.

2. On April 18, 2013, the Commission issued an order setting a procedural schedule for both of the above-captioned matters, and scheduling a consolidated evidentiary hearing. That Order required initial post-hearing briefs to be filed on July 12, 2013, with reply briefs to be filed on August 2, 2013.

3. EAI and ITC Midsouth proposed a revised briefing schedule at the conclusion of the evidentiary hearing on June 18, 2013. The Companies opposed and applicants were directed to file a motion. In its June 20, 2013 Motions, EAI and ITC Midsouth request that the Commission leave the due date for initial briefs at July 12, but propose to alter the date for reply briefs from August 2 to July 22, 2013.

4. The Companies oppose any alteration in the schedule for filing post-hearing briefs at this late date. The current schedule has been in place for over two months, and the Companies maintain that the Commission's order establishing the procedural schedule created an equitable compromise between the competing procedural schedules originally proposed by the parties. Joint Applicants had ample time in the two months since the procedural schedule was established to approach the Companies and other intervenors in an effort to secure agreement on a revision of the procedural schedule. Joint Applicants elected not to do so, and instead waited until the close of the hearing to make its request.

5. The Companies have relied upon the Commission-established procedural schedule for post-hearing briefs with respect to scheduling other business matters and securing Company personnel availability to address and respond to the arguments raised in initial briefs. To revise the schedule at this late hour could potentially compromise the Companies' ability to fully and comprehensively address the arguments raised in Joint Applicants' initial briefs in these matters.

WHEREFORE, the Companies respectfully request that the Commission retain the current schedule for filing initial and reply briefs.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been hand-delivered, emailed or mailed, postage prepaid, to all counsel of record in this case this 26th day of June, 2013.

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