

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Great Plains)
Energy Incorporated, Kansas City Power & Light)
Company, and Aquila, Inc., for Approval of the Merger) **Case No. EM-2007-0374**
of Aquila, Inc., with a Subsidiary of Great Plains)
Energy Incorporated and for Other Related Relief.)

ORDER SETTING TECHNICAL CONFERENCE
AND PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Issue Date: May 10, 2007

Effective Date: May 10, 2007

The Commission has received several requests to intervene in this matter, and expects to rule on these motions in the near future. In addition, on May 9, 2007, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed a Response to the Commission's April 9, 2007 Order Directing Notice and Order Directing Filing. Staff's indicates that it has not received all the information it needs from the applicants to evaluate the proposed transaction. Staff recommends that the Commission schedule a technical conference to provide the parties an opportunity to discuss the details of the proposed merger, and for the applicants to address Staff's questions regarding the transaction, included with its Response as Attachment A. Staff further recommends that a prehearing conference be scheduled at which the parties could develop a proposed procedural schedule or define the position of the parties regarding the necessity of a procedural schedule. Staff proposes that a report regarding the parties' positions and any proposed procedural schedule(s) would be filed with the Commission no later than May 31, 2007.

The Commission has reviewed Staff's Response and has determined that a technical conference and a prehearing conference shall be set. The technical conference will give the parties an opportunity to discuss settlement of their issues and work out a proposed procedural schedule. The Commission shall also set a time for the parties to file a report, including a proposed procedural schedule.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The parties shall appear at a technical conference to be held on May 23, 2007, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in Room 305, of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. This building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Anyone needing additional accommodations to participate in the technical conference should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the conference.
2. The parties shall appear at a prehearing conference to be held on May 24, 2007, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in Room 305 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri.
3. Any party wishing to appear at the technical or prehearing conference by telephone shall notify the Regulatory Law Judge by telephone at (573)751-4393, or by e-mail at: nancy.dippell@psc.mo.gov no later than May 21, 2007.
4. The parties shall jointly or separately file a report of their positions and a proposed procedural schedule no later than May 31, 2007.

5. This order shall become effective on May10, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 10th day of May, 2007.