

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of )  
Great Plains Energy Incorporated for )  
Approval of its Acquisition of )  
Westar Energy, Inc. )

**File No. EM-2017-0226**

## ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE, SETTING DEADLINES, AND SCHEDULING PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE

Issue Date: February 24, 2017

Effective Date: February 24, 2017

As directed by the Commission in File No. EC-2017-0107, Great Plains Energy Incorporated (“GPE”) filed an *Application for Approval of Transaction* (the “Application”) on February 23, 2017. The Application seeks Commission approval for a transaction in which GPE would acquire 100% of the stock for Westar Energy, Inc. GPE is the holding company for Kansas City Power and Light Company (“KCPL”) and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (“GMO”).

Concurrent with the Application, GPE filed a motion requesting the consolidation of this matter with the pending joint application of GPE, KCPL, and GMO for a limited variance from the Commission’s affiliate transaction rule (File No. EE-2017-0113). GPE also filed a motion for expedited treatment requesting that a Commission order on its Application go into effect no later than April 24, 2017. In addition, GPE submitted a contingent request for waiver from the Commission’s rule that requires notice be provided at least sixty days before the filing of a likely contested case.

The Commission will direct notice be provided of the Application and schedule a procedural conference. The Commission will also set a deadline for the filing of

applications to intervene. Deadlines will also be set for the filing of objections to GPE's motion to consolidate proceedings and motion for expedited treatment.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Commission's Data Center shall provide a copy of this order to each party in File No. EE-2017-0113, and the parties in the most recent general rate case of KCPL (File No. ER-2016-0285) and GMO (File No. ER-2016-0156), as well as to the county commission of each county within the service territories of KCPL and GMO.

2. The Commission's Public Policy and Outreach Department shall make notice of this order available to the members of the Missouri General Assembly representing the service territories of KCPL and GMO, and to the media serving those service territories.

3. Objections to GPE's motion to consolidate proceedings shall be filed no later than February 28, 2017.

4. Objections to GPE's motion for expedited treatment shall be filed no later than March 2, 2017.

5. Applications to intervene shall be filed no later than March 2, 2017.

6. A procedural conference will be held at **1:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 2, 2017**, at the Commission's office at the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, Room 305. This building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If additional accommodations are needed to participate in this prehearing conference, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.

7. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

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

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Kim S. Burton, Senior Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017.

**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.**

**WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 2017.**



  
**Morris L. Woodruff**  
**Secretary**

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**February 27, 2017**

**File/Case No. EM-2017-0226**

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***Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).***

***Sincerely,***

  
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**Secretary**

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