BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Request for Authority to Implement A General Rate Increase for Electric Service Case No. ER-2016-0285 Tariff Nos. YE-2017-0004 & YE-2917-0005

PUBLIC COUNSEL'S STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR JOINTLY <u>PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE AND PROCEDURES</u>

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel ("Public Counsel") and offers this

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statement in support of the Jointly Proposed Procedural Schedule and Procedures as follows:

A footnote in the Jointly Proposed Procedural Schedule and Procedures filed on August

1, 2016 indicated Public Counsel had not provided final approval at the time of the filing but was

not expected to object. Public Counsel writes to inform the Commission it supports the Jointly

Proposed Procedural Schedule and Procedures.

WHEREFORE Public Counsel submits its statement in support of the jointly proposed

procedural schedule and procedures.

Respectfully, OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL

<u>/s/ Tim Opitz</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, emailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this 4rd day of August 2016:

/s/ Tim Opitz