

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 12th
day of December, 2013.

In the Matter of the Application of)	
Kansas City Power & Light Company)	File No. EO-2014-0128
For a Modification of Order Granting Variance in)	
Case No. EO-91-224 for Good Cause Shown)	

ORDER GRANTING MODIFICATION OF ORDER

Issue Date: December 12, 2013

Effective Date: December 22, 2013

On November 4, 2013, Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCP&L") filed an application requesting a modification from a provision in the Commission's May 7, 1991 *Order Granting Variance* ("1991 Order") issued in File No. EO-91-224. KCP&L seeks a modification from the 1991 Order, which required KCP&L to categorize its meters and randomly sample for accuracy ten percent of the meters from each group. KCP&L is beginning a project to replace virtually all of its current meters in the Kansas City metropolitan area with new meters that will utilize the Landis+Gyr GridStream Advanced Metering Infrastructure Network ("AMI Refresh Project"). Since the project is expected to last through December 31, 2016, KCP&L requested a three-year suspension of the meter testing requirement in the 1991 Order. On November 6, 2013, the Commission issued an order directing the Staff of the Public Service Commission to file a recommendation and setting a deadline for interested entities to intervene. No applications to intervene were received.

On December 4, 2013, Staff filed its recommendation. Staff points out that the new AMI equipped meters will be tested by the manufacturer upon shipping and verified by KCP&L prior to installation. Therefore, performing meter testing as required by the 1991 Order will be unnecessarily duplicative. Staff recommends approving the modification to permit KCP&L to install meters in its greater metropolitan Kansas City, Missouri service territory through the AMI Refresh Project.

Staff also recommends the Commission consider revising the meter testing requirement in Commission's Rule 4 CSR 240-10.030(28)(c) since every electric investor owned utility in Missouri has been granted a variance from the rule's original language. Subsection (c) of Commission's Rule 4 CSR 240-10.030(28) requires the testing of induction-type meters manufactured during and since 1937 at least once every two hundred and forty (240) months.

The Commission will grant KCP&L's application and direct Staff to draft proposed revisions to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-10.030(28), in particular, subsection (c).

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's *Order Granting Variance* in File No. EO-91-224 is modified to suspend Kansas City Power & Light's meter testing requirements from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 for the service area involved in the AMI Refresh Project.

2. Nothing in this Order shall be considered as a finding by the Commission on the reasonableness of the expenditures involved or the ratemaking treatment to be afforded the AMI Refresh Project and its costs.

3. Staff of the Commission will prepare draft language revising Commission's Rule 4 CSR 240-10.030(28).

4. This order shall become effective on December 22, 2013.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

R. Kenney, Chm., Stoll, W. Kenney,
and Hall, CC., concur.

Burton, Senior Regulatory Law Judge