

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

In the Matter of the Application of)
Great Plains Energy Incorporated)
For Approval of Its Merger with)
Westar Energy, Inc.)

Case No. EM-2018-0012

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF COUNSEL

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and hereby notifies the Commission and all parties that Steven Dottheim, having retired from state service effective December 31, 2019, has withdrawn from this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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/s/ Kevin A. Thompson