

**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 Merger)
with Westar Energy, Inc.)

File No. EM-2018-0012

**ORDER GRANTING REQUESTS TO BE EXCUSED
FROM EVIDENTIARY HEARING**

Issue Date: March 7, 2018

Effective Date: March 7, 2018

On March 6, 2018, the City of Independence, Missouri, filed a motion requesting that it be excused from appearing at the evidentiary hearing. Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers has also requested that the regulatory law judge grant a similar request. The Commission finds the requests reasonable and will grant them.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers is excused from participating in the evidentiary hearing in this matter.
2. The City of Independence, Missouri, is excused from participating in the evidentiary hearing in this matter.
3. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Michael Bushmann, Senior Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 7th day of March, 2018.

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 7th day of March 2018.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

March 7, 2018

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "M" and "W".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

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