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- 2 JUDGE BUSHMANN: Let's go on the record.
- 3 Today is September 10th, 2014 at 2:30 p.m. The
- 4 Commission has set this time for a procedural
- 5 conference in the case captioned as In the Matter
- of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's
- 7 Application for Authority to Establish a Renewable
- 8 Energy Standard Rate Adjustment Mechanism, File No.
- 9 EO-2014-0151.
- 10 I am Michael Bushmann, the Regulatory Law
- 11 Judge assigned to this matter. Let's have Counsel
- 12 make their own entries of appearance. For KCP&L
- 13 Greater Missouri Operations?
- 14 MR. HACK: Robert Hack, Greater -- Kansas
- 15 City Power & Light Greater Missouri Operations,
- 16 1200 Main, KCMO.
- 17 JUDGE BUSHMANN: Thank you. Office of
- 18 Public Counsel?
- 19 MR. OPITZ: For the Office of Public
- 20 Counsel, Tim Opitz, P.O. pox 2230, Jefferson City,
- 21 Missouri, 65102.
- 22 JUDGE BUSHMANN: And Commission Staff?
- 23 MS. HERNANDEZ: Jennifer Hernandez and Bob
- 24 Berlin on behalf of the Staff of the Missouri
- 25 Public Service Commission. Our address is P.O. Box

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- 1 360, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102.
- 2 And just for notice to the parties, I will
- 3 be resigning effective October 1st, so from here on
- 4 out, you probably want to send communications to
- 5 Mr. Berlin so that they don't get lost or delayed
- 6 in response time.
- 7 JUDGE BUSHMANN: Okay. Thank you. For Ag
- 8 Processing, Incorporated?
- 9 MR. CONRAD: Stuart W. Conrad, Law Firm of
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- 12 JUDGE BUSHMANN: Thank you, Mr. Conrad.
- 13 Renew Missouri?
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- on behalf of Renew Missouri. Address is 910 East
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- 17 JUDGE BUSHMANN: Thank you. Ameren
- 18 Missouri?
- 19 MR. LOWERY: James Lowery, Smith Lewis,
- 20 LLP, P.O. Box 918, Columbia, Missouri, 65205,
- 21 appearing on behalf of Union Electric Company.
- JUDGE BUSHMANN: All right. Thank you.
- 23 Is there any other -- any other attorneys I haven't
- 24 called or parties I haven't called?
- Okay. Well, as we talked about at the

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- 1 procedural conference back in May, I want to talk a
- 2 little bit about procedures -- let's just wait a
- 3 second. Did someone just come on the line? I
- 4 quess not.
- 5 ANGELA: This is Angela with Missouri
- 6 Primary Care.
- 7 JUDGE BUSHMANN: Were you hear for a
- 8 prehearing conference in the Public Service
- 9 Commission?
- 10 ANGELA: No. It's supposed to be a MO
- 11 HealthNet call.
- 12 JUDGE BUSHMANN: I think you may have the
- 13 wrong number.
- 14 ANGELA: Okay.
- JUDGE BUSHMANN: Okay. Procedurals. We
- 16 talked about this a little back in May when we had
- 17 our last conference. We're following primarily the
- 18 procedures under subsection C of the rule. That's
- 19 20.100(6).
- 20 And since it appears that a hearing may be
- 21 necessary, the rule requires that the Commission
- 22 hold a hearing and issue an order no less than 30
- 23 days from the date of the company's reply to the
- 24 report and the comments.
- 25 And that means that the Commission has to

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- 1 wait at least 30 days before issuing an order.
- 2 That's my reading anyway and that there -- there is
- 3 no outside time limit of the rule.
- 4 So I think that we have all the time that
- 5 might be required if we're going to have to hold a
- 6 hearing. And that is one thing that I'd like you
- 7 all to talk about a little bit when you have your
- 8 discussion later about whether an evidentiary
- 9 hearing is even appropriate in this case.
- 10 And the reason I say that is because from
- 11 reading the pleadings, it appears that most of the
- 12 disputed issues involve legal or policy issues, so
- 13 I'd like you to consider whether there is any
- 14 actual material facts in dispute that would require
- 15 an evidentiary hearing or, if not, can we then
- 16 instead have oral arguments and briefs?
- 17 So that would be something that you all
- 18 will know the case better than me at this point,
- 19 and you'll know whether or not that we're going to
- 20 need to have an evidentiary hearing.
- 21 So I would like the parties -- I guess
- 22 Staff on behalf of the parties to file a joint
- 23 proposed procedural schedule no later than
- 24 Wednesday, September 17th.
- 25 And if you decide that there are facts in

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- 1 dispute that can't be resolved through stipulation,
- 2 then that proposed procedural schedule should
- 3 include dates for discovery deadlines, pre-filed
- 4 testimony, a joint stipulation of non-contested
- 5 material facts, lists of issues and witnesses,
- 6 proposed dates for the hearing and for post-hearing
- 7 briefs.
- Now, if there are no material facts in
- 9 dispute that can't be resolved through stipulation,
- 10 then all you would need to provide would be dates
- 11 for proposed dates for oral arguments and a
- 12 briefing schedule. And the Commission will make
- 13 the final determination on the schedule.
- 14 That's all I have. Do any parties have
- 15 any other matters that need to be brought up on the
- 16 record at this point?
- 17 MR. HACK: Not GMO.
- 18 MR. OPITZ: Judge, I would just like to
- 19 point out the 17th is FRI, and I don't know if
- 20 Staff has -- will be going to that. But
- 21 that's --
- 22 JUDGE BUSHMANN: Would you -- for
- 23 convenience, would the Staff prefer to go before or
- 24 after that date? Does it make any difference?
- MR. BERLIN: Perhaps if we can go after

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1	that date.
2	JUDGE BUSHMANN: Say, the 18th?
3	MR. BERLIN: Sure.
4	JUDGE BUSHMANN: Well, why don't we change
5	that, and we'll have the joint procedural schedule
6	filed no later than September 18th. Thanks for
7	reminding me.
8	Anything else? In that case, we'll go off
9	the record. And I'll leave you to talk about it.
10	I'm going to leave, also, a copy of the
11	adjudication calendar for the next few months in
12	case you have any questions about dates when you're
13	talking, and the phone bridge will be open until
14	4:30.
15	MR. BERLIN: Very good.
16	MR. OPITZ: Thank you, Judge.
17	JUDGE BUSHMANN: Thank you.
18	(The proceedings were concluded at 2:38 p.m. on
19	September 10, 2014.)
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4	COUNTY OF OSAGE)
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7	Certified Court Reporter #0538, and Registered Professional
8	Reporter, within and for the State of Missouri, do hereby
9	certify that I was personally present at the proceedings as
10	set forth in the caption sheet hereof; that I then and there
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12	was thereafter transcribed by me, and is fully and accurately
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15	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and
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