

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

In the Matter of)	
Kansas City Power & Light Company's)	File No. ER-2012-0174
Request for Authority to Implement)	Tracking No. YE-2012-0404
a General Rate Increase for Electric Service)	

and

In the Matter of)	
KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's)	File No. ER-2012-0175
Request for Authority to Implement)	Tracking No. YE-2012-0405
General Rate Increase for Electric Service)	

ORDER APPOINTING SPECIAL MASTER

Issue Date: October 3, 2012

Effective Date: October 3, 2012

The Missouri Public Service Commission is appointing a special master to rule on the objections¹ to the notice of deposition ("notice") and subpoena duces tecum ("subpoena") that Staff served upon Melissa Hardesty on September 21.² The parties shall make the following filings. Nothing in this order bars the parties from agreeing to the discovery of any document.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Harold Stearley, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge ("special master"), is appointed special master to rule on any objection described in the body of this order ("objection").

2. No later than 5:00 p.m., October 5, 2012, the Commission's staff and Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCP&L") shall contact the special master to

¹ *Objections to Notice of Records Deposition of Melissa K. Hardesty and to Subpoena Duces Tecum to Melissa K. Hardesty*, filed on September 27, 2012.

² All dates are in 2012.

arrange a time and date for a special discovery conference. The topic of the special discovery conference shall be the objections. The contact may be by email.

3. No later than 5:00 p.m., October 9, 2012, KCP&L shall deliver to the special master, but not file, a:

a. Copy of each document as to which KCP&L asserts an objection. As to any document, any part of which is not subject to an objection, KCP&L shall file a redacted copy and a non-redacted copy.

b. Memorandum discussing the accountant/client privilege and its application to the documents.

4. Staff shall also deliver to the special master, but not file, a memorandum as described in subparagraph 3.b. no later than 5:00 p.m., October 9, 2012.

5. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Daniel Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 3rd day of October 2012.