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| 1  | PROCEEDINGS   |
| 2  | JUDGE JORDAN: So we will go ahead and go on the           |
| 3  | record. The Commission is calling the case in File        |
| 4  | No. E0-2013-0359. I'm Daniel Jordan. I'm the Regulatory   |
| 5  | Law Judge assigned to this action.                        |
| 6  | We're here for a prehearing conference on this            |
| 7  | action. And we will be on the record with a reporter for  |
| 8  | the first part. And then when I am done with what I have  |
| 9  | to say, then we will go off the record.                   |
| 10 | The parties may continue discussing the subject           |
| 11 | matters without me, and my absence should facilitate      |
| 12 | discussions, I hope. Feel free to discuss information     |
| 13 | that you don't want don't want me to hear in my           |
| 14 | absence.  |
| 15 | We have this phone line for two hours, but I'd            |
| 16 | be surprised if it took longer than that. And, certainly, |
| 17 | anyone can let me know otherwise. When everyone is done,  |
| 18 | I'll ask Staff to hang up the phone.                      |
| 19 | MS. HERNANDEZ: Okay.                                      |
| 20 | JUDGE JORDAN: I will begin now with by                    |
| 21 | taking entries of appearance, and, also, introduction of  |
| 22 | client representatives that are with us, either in person |
| 23 | or on the phone. Let's begin with the public utility that |
| 24 | is a party to this action, that is, Kansas City Power &   |
| 25 | Light Company.  |

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| 1  | MR. FISCHER: On behalf of Kansas City Power &              |
| 2  | Light Company, I am James Fischer, Fischer & Dority, PC,   |
| 3  | 101 Madison, Suite 400, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65101.   |
| 4  | And today with me, I have Mr. Tim Rush from                |
| 5  | Kansas City Power & Light.                                 |
| 6  | JUDGE JORDAN: Thank you. And for Staff?                    |
| 7  | MS. HERNANDEZ: Jennifer Hernandez, Nathan                  |
| 8  | Williams and Amy Moore appearing on behalf of the Staff of |
| 9  | the Missouri Public Service Commission. Our address is     |
| 10 | P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102.             |
| 11 | And here today on Staff is John Rogers, Mike               |
| 12 | Scheperle, Natelle Dietrich and Seoung Joun Won. Okay.     |
| 13 | JUDGE JORDAN: Do you need a spelling for that?             |
| 14 | THE COURT REPORTER: Yes.                                   |
| 15 | MS. HERNANDEZ: Do you know how to spell                    |
| 16 | MR. ROGERS: W-o-n oh, the first name?                      |
| 17 | No. MS. HERNANDEZ: Spell your name.                        |
| 18 | MR. WON: S-e-o-u-n-g J-o-u-n W-o-n.                        |
| 19 | JUDGE JORDAN: Thank you. And for the Office of             |
| 20 | the Public Counsel?  |
| 21 | MR. MILLS: On behalf of the Office of the                  |
| 22 | Public Counsel and the public, my name s Lewis Mills. My   |
| 23 | address is Post Office Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri, |
| 24 | 65102.   |
| 25 | JUDGE JORDAN: Thank you, Counsel. Did you have             |

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| 1  | any representatives or representatives from your office   |
| 2  | with you today?   |
| 3  | MR. MILLS: I do not.                                      |
| 4  | JUDGE JORDAN: Okay. Very good. We also have               |
| 5  | some Intervenors in this action. I'll begin with Missouri |
| 6  | Department of Natural Resources.                          |
| 7  | I have issued a I have been in communication              |
| 8  | with Jessica Blome, who is the attorney for Missouri      |
| 9  | Department of Natural Resources, and she asked to be      |
| 10 | excused today. So I am excusing her from appearing. But   |
| 11 | she told me that she would have client representatives    |
| 12 | available.  |
| 13 | MS. YOUNG: Thank you, Judge. Mary Ann Young               |
| 14 | and Adam Bickford from Missouri Department of Natural     |
| 15 | Resources, Division of Energy.                            |
| 16 | JUDGE JORDAN: Thank you. Let's go next to the             |
| 17 | Midwest Energy Users Association. Not hearing anyone from |
| 18 | here. Let's go to the Midwest Energy Consumers Group.     |
| 19 | MR. WOODSMALL: David Woodsmall on behalf of               |
| 20 | MECG. I've previously provided my address to the court    |
| 21 | reporter, and there are no other representatives here.    |
| 22 | JUDGE JORDAN: Thank you, Counsel. And Missouri            |
| 23 | Industrial Energy Consumers?                              |
| 24 | MS. VUYLSTEKE: Diana Vuylsteke, Law Firm of               |
| 25 | Bryan Cave, LLP, 211 North Broadway, Suite 3600,          |

Page 6 St. Louis, 63102. 1 2 JUDGE JORDAN: Thank you, Counsel. A anyone 3 from your group representing today? Anyone else? MS. VUYLSTEKE: Not at this -- not at this time, 4 5 Judge. 6 JUDGE JORDAN: Very good. Thank you. Thank 7 you. All right. There's a few things I want to discuss 8 regarding procedure in this action. There's been some confusion -- a little bit of 9 confusion, and I've been trying to clarify that as to what 10 exactly this action is. 11 12 The application sought a contested case. But 13 other filings in this action have referred to it as an investigatory proceeding. There has been some reference 14 to the complaint statute. And I wanted to clarify that. 15 16 Let me start by asking Staff if I understand 17 what kind of relief they will be seeking in this action. I understand you're looking -- I understand Staff is 18 looking for an order to file a tariff; is that correct, a 19 20 tariff that will include with the statutes and 21 regulations? MS. HERNANDEZ: Yes. That is one way, I think, 22 the company could comply with the opt-out procedures as we 23 24 interpret them under the MEEIA statute and the MEEIA 25 rules.

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| 1  | I think there are some other options that the              |
| 2  | company other things the company could do to comply.       |
| 3  | But you are correct that we will be seeking an order from  |
| 4  | the Commission. And I guess the procedure is somewhat      |
| 5  | like a complaint case, but it's more of a friendly joint   |
| 6  | filing between the the Staff and the and the               |
| 7  | company, both wanting resolution of how to interpret the   |
| 8  | provisions that we've listed in our filings.               |
| 9  | And we will be hopefully doing some discovery in           |
| 10 | this matter. And unless you have another question, I'll    |
| 11 | leave my response at that.                                 |
| 12 | JUDGE JORDAN: Okay. Does anyone else have                  |
| 13 | anything to say about that? Kansas City Power & Light?     |
| 14 | MR. FISCHER: Well, Judge, I think I would                  |
| 15 | agree. We're looking for a resolution of the               |
| 16 | interpretation of the MEEIA statute and the MEEIA rules    |
| 17 | regarding opt-out.   |
| 18 | And probably, in addition to that, we see a path           |
| 19 | forward perhaps that would include an accounting authority |
| 20 | order or some other mechanism that would allow us to       |
| 21 | recover work on revenues if people opt out.                |
| 22 | JUDGE JORDAN: Okay. Does anyone else have                  |
| 23 | anything to say on on the kind of relief that we'll be     |
| 24 | headed towards in this action?                             |
| 25 | MR. WOODSMALL: I will be addressing all of                 |

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| 1  | those subjects raised by Staff and KCP&L because we will   |
| 2  | certainly oppose some of KCP&L's proposals.                |
| 3  | MECG, their primary purpose in this case is to             |
| 4  | get KCP&L's tariffs in compliance with the statute such    |
| 5  | that opt-out customers are not charged for any of KCP&L's  |
| 6  | energy efficiency costs.                                   |
| 7  | We raised that in the context of a re-hearing in           |
| 8  | the rate case. And we are we have sought a Writ of         |
| 9  | Review, I guess it's now called an appeal, on that point.  |
| 10 | So, hopefully, we'll get some guidance from the            |
| 11 | Missouri Court of Appeals on this issue as well. But,      |
| 12 | ultimately, our purpose here and there is our clients not  |
| 13 | to get charged for energy efficiency costs whether they be |
| 14 | a future MEEIA case or pre MEEIA energy efficiency costs.  |
| 15 | JUDGE JORDAN: Okay. Does anyone else want to               |
| 16 | throw in on this topic? I appreciate that clarification.   |
| 17 | As you can tell from some of the Orders issued, the        |
| 18 | Commission was unclear as to what exactly was to be the    |
| 19 | outcome of this case.                                      |
| 20 | It looked like a declaratory judgment was the              |
| 21 | relief sought. And, of course, the Commission can't do     |
| 22 | that. but this kind of clarification is helpful. So        |
| 23 | that's what that's what we'll proceed with.                |
| 24 | So I'd like the parties to discuss scheduling              |
| 25 | once we're off the record. I'd like the parties to         |

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| 1  | produce a proposed procedural schedule, and I'd like Staff |
| 2  | to file that. And if you can't file it tomorrow, then      |
| 3  | just file something telling me that you can't file it      |
| 4  | tomorrow, and that would be fine. So either the proposed   |
| 5  | schedule or status report would be helpful.                |
| 6  | MS. HERNANDEZ: Okay.                                       |
| 7  | JUDGE JORDAN: It seems like the usual practice             |
| 8  | in any contested case seems to be some bleed-over from     |
| 9  | general rate actions, that is, parties will often file an  |
| 10 | issues list and a set of position statements. Those tend   |
| 11 | to come late in these proceedings.                         |
| 12 | I think a more helpful procedure would be to               |
| 13 | file something that looks more like pleadings, that is to  |
| 14 | say, the Commission would like any party who wants some    |
| 15 | relief to state what relief that is, cite the law that     |
| 16 | applies to it, allege some facts that are relevant under   |
| 17 | that law. And that is, in my experience, a good way to     |
| 18 | narrow the issues and move the proceeding along quickly.   |
| 19 | It also helps with prehearing motions regarding            |
| 20 | discovery, for example, so the Commission can tell what's  |
| 21 | relevant and what's not. So that would be the              |
| 22 | Commission's preference.                                   |
| 23 | Also, the Commission would like the parties to             |
| 24 | file a Stipulation of Facts. And even if they're           |
| 25 | rudimentary, that will eliminate some issues. So a date    |

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| 1  | for filing Stipulated Facts and also Dispositive Motions.  |
| 2  | My sense is that there won't be a lot of                   |
| 3  | evidentiary facts at issue in this matter. Just looking    |
| 4  | at the pleadings so far, that's that's the sense that I    |
| 5  | get. So dispositive motions may may be helpful. I          |
| 6  | sure hope the parties will include a date for filing of    |
| 7  | Dispositive Motions.                                       |
| 8  | And those are my reflections on this action so             |
| 9  | far. Does anyone have any questions for me while we're on  |
| 10 | the record?  |
| 11 | MR. FISCHER: Judge, I guess I would just ask a             |
| 12 | couple questions. We've stated in pleadings our the        |
| 13 | relief that we that we sought, at least the Staff and      |
| 14 | th company.  |
| 15 | Are you looking for a statement by everybody in            |
| 16 | the case or filing their separate pleadings again? Or      |
| 17 | what what are you hoping to have there?                    |
| 18 | JUDGE JORDAN: You know, that's that's a fair               |
| 19 | question because I have seen hints as to the relief that's |
| 20 | been asked for such that you mentioned an accounting       |
| 21 | authority order earlier.                                   |
| 22 | MR. FISCHER: Yes.  |
| 23 | JUDGE JORDAN: KCP&L has said, Well, we may seek            |
| 24 | an accounting authority order. I don't know if that's      |
| 25 | really a request for that relief. My preference is if I    |

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| 1  | were looking at this, I would say, Well, tell me what you  |
| 2  | want. Tell me what law gives it to us, and tell me the     |
| 3  | facts under it.  |
| 4  | If the parties file that, they can skip the                |
| 5  | initial pleading stage since there has been this joint     |
| 6  | application, there have been these Motions to Intervene,   |
| 7  | well, maybe they can do that. But I need to know what      |
| 8  | what relief is at issue, what law is cited to support it   |
| 9  | and the facts relevant under that law.                     |
| 10 | Now, if you can do that strictly by responsive             |
| 11 | pleadings, okay.   |
| 12 | MR. WOODSMALL: At what point this is                       |
| 13 | difficult because we haven't even discussed a schedule     |
| 14 | yet.   |
| 15 | JUDGE JORDAN: Right.                                       |
| 16 | MR. WOODSMALL: Do you anticipate these                     |
| 17 | pleadings being early on or Staff mentioned needing to     |
| 18 | do some ask discovery. Discovery can, you know, bring out  |
| 19 | some issues. So it's it's tough to do these pleadings      |
| 20 | as to all the relief that is sought until we know what all |
| 21 | the issues are, and it may not be able to identify all the |
| 22 | issues until we've done the discovery.                     |
| 23 | So I'm just a little hesitant to be able to do             |
| 24 | this pleading that you're looking for early on in the      |

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process, at least one that is definitive, you know,

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Page 12 1 that --2 JUDGE JORDAN: I see what you're saying. 3 there's also the possibility -- there's always the possibility of amended pleadings, right? 4 5 MR. WOODSMALL: Okay. 6 JUDGE JORDAN: Here's the thing about that. 7 Here's my thinking on that. I've never encountered 8 actions outside this Commission where discovery precedes the pleadings, which is basically what -- what happens 10 here. Your issues list and your position statements 11 12 are as close as we get to pleadings sometimes. And 13 that's, in my experience, not the best way to frame a 14 case. 15 In any other action, one files a pleading and then does discovery based on that. So that's what I'm 16 17 thinking as to that. The parties do have some -- some idea of what they want. So I think they can frame these 18 19 pleadings. 20 For example, a party wants an order to file a 21 Okay? That party can say, We want an order directing the utility to file a tariff. Here's the law 22 that says the Commission can do that. Here are the facts 23 relevant under that law. Pretty much like any other civil 24 action. 25

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| 1  | MR. WOODSMALL: Right. And and in a civil                  |
| 2  | action, generally, parties both have information. Here,   |
| 3  | we have no information. KCP&L has the entirety of the     |
| 4  | information. So for us to identify what all the issues    |
| 5  | are until we've done discovery and and see the            |
| 6  | information that they have is a little difficult. But as  |
| 7  | long as we can amend those pleadings, I I think we can    |
| 8  | get something done. It                                    |
| 9  | JUDGE JORDAN: Okay. Anything else on that?                |
| 10 | I'm not hearing anything. Any other issue that anyone     |
| 11 | wants to raise before we go off the record?               |
| 12 | I saw counsel in the back having a discussion.            |
| 13 | Is there something you wanted to chime in with?           |
| 14 | MR. WILLIAMS: Are you talking to me?                      |
| 15 | JUDGE JORDAN: Yes. I am talking to you                    |
| 16 | Mr. Williams. Was there anything?                         |
| 17 | MR. WILLIAMS: No.   |
| 18 | JUDGE JORDAN: Okay. All right. And there                  |
| 19 | being nothing else, we will go off the record. Thank you, |
| 20 | everyone.   |
| 21 | (The proceedings were concluded at 11:15 a.m. on          |
| 22 | March 20, 2013.)  |
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| 6  | I, Monnie S. Mealy, Certified Shorthand Reporter,         |
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