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DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

MICHAEL L. STAHLMAN

KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

CASE NO. EO-2015-0240

KCP&L GREATER MISSOURI OPERATIONS COMPANY

CASE NO. EO-2015-0241

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Filing for Approval of Demand-Side Programs and for Authority to Establish a Demand-Side Programs Investment Mechanism)) Case No. EO-2015-0241)
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Further the Affiant sayeth not.	
	Michael L. Stahlman
Subscribed and sworn to before me this _/	day of December, 2015.
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16	Q.	Please state your name and business address.		
17	A.	My name is Michael L. Stahlman, and my business address is Missouri Public		
18	Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102.			
19	Q.	By whom are you employed and in what capacity?		
20	A.	I am employed by the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) as a		
21	Regulatory Economist III in the Tariff/Rate Design Unit, Operational Analysis Department.			
22	Q.	Please describe your educational and work background.		
23	A.	Please see Schedule MLS-D-1.		
24	Q.	What is the purpose of your testimony?		
25	A.	I will provide testimony supporting the Demand-Side Programs Investment		
26	Mechanism	("DSIM") described in the Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement Resolving		
27	MEEIA Filings ("Stipulation").			
28	Q.	Please describe the DSIM discussed in the Stipulation.		
29	Α.	The Commission's MEEIA rules identify three DSIM components: a cost		
30	recovery component, a utility lost revenues component, and a utility incentive component			
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Similarly, the DSIM in the Stipulation is composed of three components: a program cost recovery component, a throughput disincentive recovery component ("TD"), and an earnings opportunity component ("EO").

- Q. Is the program cost recovery component consistent with the cost recovery component described in 4 CSR 20.093(2)(F) of the Commission's rules?
- A. Yes. The program cost recovery component allows contemporaneous recovery of prudently incurred program expenditures, including such items as program planning; program design; administration; delivery; end-use measures and incentive payments; advertising expense; evaluation, measurement, and verification ("EM&V"); market potential studies; and work on a statewide technical resource manual.
- Q. Is the TD consistent with the utility lost revenue component described in 4 CSR 240-20.093(2)(G) of the Commission's rules?
- A. Yes, with one exception. The Stipulation requests a variance from the provision that requires the utility to prove that the "utility demand-side programs approved by the commission in accordance with 4 CSR 240-20.094 cause a drop in net system retail kWh delivered to jurisdictional customers below the level used to set the electricity rates." The Stipulation allows the Company to be compensated for the kWh not delivered to jurisdictional customers due to the installation of energy efficiency measures, regardless of whether sales are above or below the net system retail kWh used to set the electricity rates. Staff recommends that granting of this variance is reasonable, and the Stipulation TD is otherwise consistent with the utility lost revenue component described in 4 CSR 240-20.093(2)(G).

The TD in the Stipulation also allows for a contemporaneous recovery of compensation for the companies' MEEIA-caused reduction to retail kWh sales based on an

estimate of measure savings and an initial net-to-gross factor ("NTG") of 0.85. This component includes a process to annualize the savings included in the companies' billing determinants and to reset the lost margin calculations due to rate case orders as they occur. The measure savings estimates will also be updated prospectively as EM&V results are made available through the MEEIA Cycle. At the end of the Cycle, the EO will be adjusted by the difference between the estimated TD and the actual TD recalculated using the final full EM&V results (including ex-post gross measure savings and NTG).²

Staff supports the variances, described in Appendix H attached to the Stipulation, to enact this component as part of an interrelated resolution derived in the spirit of compromise and with the support of many parties with diverse interests. The TD, as described in the Stipulation, provides the companies with reasonable compensation due to sales not made as a result of the installation of program measures, and reasonably relies upon retrospective EM&V to true-up the differences between estimated and actual savings.

- Q. Is the EO consistent with the utility incentive component described in 4 CSR 20.093(2)(H) of the Commission's rules?
- A. Generally yes. The EO is designed to compensate the companies for lost supply-side investments. The dollar values included in the EO are calculated based on a comparison of the companies' adopted referred resource plans in their most recent Triennial Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP") filings, which include demand-side programs with energy and demand savings modeled at a reasonably similar level to the proposed MEEIA portfolio in the Stipulation, to a similar IRP scenario without demand-side programs. These results provided the basis to scale the EO for the companies' proposed MEEIA program, attached as

² Subject to the EO not going below \$0.00 or above \$15,500,000 for KCPL and \$20,000,000 for GMO, and subject to a NTG floor of 0.80 and a ceiling of 1.00.

³ File Nos. EO-2015-0254 and EO-2015-0252 for KCPL and GMO, respectively, filed on April 1, 2015.

Appendix B to the Stipulation. The EO metrics, included in Appendix B, that are based on program energy savings or prudent expenditure, were scaled proportionally to match the relative demand savings contributions of the programs. Therefore, the EO provides the companies with a portion of the benefits that reasonably compensates the companies on par with the supply-side alternative identified in the companies' IRPs. As mentioned in the Stipulation and further discussed by Staff witness John Rogers, it is anticipated that all customers in a class will benefit from these programs, regardless of participation in them.

- Q. Please summarize your testimony.
- A. The DSIM proposed in the Stipulation reasonably provides timely cost recovery for companies, aligns the companies' incentives to help customers use energy more efficiently, and provides an earnings opportunity on cost-effective demand-side programs verified by EM&V equal to a traditional supply-side investments cost-effective measurable and verifiable efficiency savings.
- Q. Does the DSIM proposed in the Stipulation include retrospective EM&V and include an EO that has a component of supply-side investment reduction, consistent with the Commission's discussion in its September 17, 2015 "Order Directing Filing" for File No. EO-2015-0055, its September 9, 2015 "Order Directing Filing" for File No. EO-2015-0055, and the Agenda discussions referenced in those orders?
- A. Yes. While any TD refunding pursuant to EM&V is constrained by the award of an EO, mechanisms including real-time TD accrual, use of a NTG factor reasonably related to anticipated performance of the specific utility portfolio, and updating of specific measure savings values mid-cycle based on EM&V all work together to reasonably balance the risks of program success or failure between the utility and its customers for this portfolio at this time.

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- The EO is subject to full EM&V, without constraint, and is reasonably related to the impact the portfolio has been estimated to have on reducing future supply side investments.
 - Q. Does this conclude your testimony?
 - A. Yes it does.

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Kansas City Power & Light Company

EU-2014-0077

KCP&L Great Missouri Operations Company

In the Matter of the Application of Kansas City Power & Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company for the Issuance of an Accounting Authority Order relating to their Electrical Operations and for a Contingent Waiver of the Notice Requirement of 4 CSR 240-4.020(2)

Kansas City Power & Light Company

EO-2014-0095

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Veolia Energy Kansas City, Inc

HR-2014-0066

In the Matter of Veolia Energy Kansas City, Inc for Authority to File Tariffs to Increase Rates

Grain Belt Express Clean Line, LLC

EA-2014-0207

In the Matter of the Application of Grain Belt Express Clean Line LLC for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Authorizing It to Construct, Own, Operate, Control, Manage, and Maintain a High Voltage, Direct Current Transmission Line and an Associated Converter Station Providing an Interconnection on the Maywood - Montgomery 345 kV Transmission Line

Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri

ER-2014-0258

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Empire District Electric Company

ER-2014-0351

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Kansas City Power & Light Company

ER-2014-0370

In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service

Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois

EA-2015-0146

In the Matter of the Application of Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois for Other Relief or, in the Alternative, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Maintain and Otherwise Control and Manage a 345,000-volt Electric Transmission Line from Palmyra, Missouri to the Iowa Border and an Associated Substation Near Kirksville, Missouri

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