

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of a Working Case to Review       )  
Electric Vehicle Charging Stations                )  
**File No. EW-2015-0184**

## ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSE

Issue Date: February 13, 2015

Effective Date: February 13, 2015

On February 5, 2015, Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCP&L) and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (GMO) filed a motion asking the Commission to open a working case to examine and review issues surrounding KCP&L and GMO's plan to establish a Clean Charge Network for the installation and operation of more than 1,000 electric vehicle charging stations in the Kansas City area. KCP&L and GMO suggest a working case would allow interested stakeholders to learn more about the Clean Charge Network and collaboratively discuss issues attendant to broader penetration of electric vehicles and electric vehicle charging stations. They believe that issues to be discussed would include:

- Impact of charging stations on a utility's retail customers;
- Impact of charging stations on a utility's distribution system;
- Pricing alternatives and other impacts of electric vehicles; and
- Any other issues regarding electric vehicle charging stations.

KCP&L and GMO's motion also indicates KCP&L has sought to recover certain costs related to the Clean Charge Network in its ongoing rate case, File No. ER-2014-0370. The fact that some aspects of the Clean Charge Network will be an issue in the rate case creates concerns that ex parte communications about the rate case issue could occur in

the working case. Those concerns cause the Commission to pause before establishing the requested working case.

Before deciding whether a working case should be opened, the Commission will direct KCP&L and GMO to explain what steps, if any, the Commission and interested stakeholders should take to ensure that ex parte communications about issues in the rate case do not occur in the requested working case. Any other stakeholder that wishes to address that question is invited to do so.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. Kansas City Power & Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company shall, and any other stakeholder may, file a pleading no later than February 19, explaining what steps, if any, the Commission and interested stakeholders should take to ensure that ex parte communications about issues pending in KCP&L's on-going rate case, ER-2014-0370, do not occur in the requested working case.

2. This order shall be effective when issued.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015.