

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

**In the Matter of the Application of KCP&L)
Greater Missouri Operations Company for) Case No. _____
Authority to Sell its Blue Springs Service)
Center)**

APPLICATION

COMES NOW KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (“KCP&L-GMO” or “Applicant”), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060 and 4 CSR 240-3.110 hereby respectfully submits to the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) its Application for Authority to Sell its Blue Springs Service Center. In support of its request, Applicant states as follows:

I. APPLICANT

1. Applicant is a Delaware corporation with its principal office and place of business at 1201 Walnut, Kansas City, Missouri 64106-2124.¹ Applicant is primarily engaged in providing electric and steam utility service in Missouri to the public in its certificated areas. Applicant is an “electrical corporation” and a “public utility” subject to the jurisdiction, supervision and control of the Commission under Chapters 386 and 393. A Certificate of Authority for a foreign corporation to do business in the State of Missouri, evidencing the Company’s authority under the law to conduct business in the State of Missouri, was filed with the Commission in Case No. EU-2002-1053 and is incorporated herein by reference in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(G). KCP&L-GMO’s fictitious name registration was filed in Case No. EN-2009-0015 and is incorporated herein by reference.

¹ Applicant is the surviving corporation that resulted from the recent merger of Aquila, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and Gregory Acquisition Corp., a Delaware corporation, which was a direct, wholly-owned subsidiary of Great Plains Energy Incorporated, a Missouri corporation. This merger was approved by the Commission in its Report and Order issued on July 1, 2008 in Case No. EM-2007-0374.

2. Applicant has no pending actions or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court that involves customer service or rates, which has occurred within three years of the date of this Application. No annual report or assessment fees are overdue.

3. Pleadings, notices, orders and other correspondence and communications concerning this Application should be addressed to the undersigned counsel and:

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II. SUMMARY

4. This Application seeks a determination by the Commission regarding the pending sale of property at Applicant's Blue Springs Service Center located in Blue Springs, Missouri to Commercial Roofing Services, Inc. The sale of the Blue Springs Service Center is occasioned by the integration of KCP&L-GMO and Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCP&L") operations as a result of the transaction that was approved by the Commission in Case No. EM-2007-0374. As the Joint Applicants in Case No. EM-2007-0374 explained to the Commission, the Blue Springs Service Center has been closed as part of the consolidation of service centers owned by KCP&L and KCP&L-GMO. (Ex. No. 17, Herdegen Supp. Direct at 11, Ex. No. 31, Zabors Supp. Direct at p. 11, Ex. No. 21, Marshall Supp. Direct at 12-13, Case No. EM-2007-0374).

5. Applicant is requesting the Commission to approve the sale of the Blue Springs Service Center.

6. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-3.110, a brief description of the property involved is contained in Attachment No. 1 which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. A signed copy of the Real Estate Purchase & Sale Agreement (“the Agreement”) is contained in Attachment No. 2 (**HC**) which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The Blue Springs Service Center has already been vacated and operations are currently being handled out of the existing Lee’s Summit Service Center.

7. The proposed sale of the Service Center is not detrimental to the public interest since the sale will result in more efficient operations for KCP&L-GMO and KCP&L. Synergy savings from this proposed sale will be passed along to customers in future rate cases involving KCP&L-GMO and KCP&L, as explained in the Joint Applicants’ testimony filed in Case No. EM-2007-0374.

8. The Greater Kansas City Metropolitan Area will be managed as a single district, including both the service areas of KCP&L-GMO and KCP&L. To more efficiently serve the metropolitan area, KCP&L-GMO and KCP&L planned two service center consolidations. The first is a merger of the existing Liberty and former Platte City Service Centers into KCP&L’s Northland facility. The Commission approved the sale of the Platte City Service Center in Case No. EO-2009-0148. The second consolidation will combine existing service center operations in Lee’s Summit, Blue Springs, and Dodson into a new facility to be built in or near Lee’s Summit along the I-470 corridor. In addition to improved efficiencies, these consolidations will also help foster a unified culture. The consolidation efforts will also deliver labor efficiencies from economies of scale. These changes will continue to improve customer satisfaction, reliability,

safety and cost related to the distribution of electricity in the Greater Kansas City Metropolitan Area.

9. Because of the geographical proximity of the existing service centers, the two consolidations discussed above will allow KCP&L-GMO and KCP&L to operate more efficiently, leveraging manpower and equipment. The combination of these service centers will allow us to more efficiently man our crews and to be able to respond to our customer's requests in a timely manner. The outage response will be enhanced in the south eastern metropolitan area by inclusion of the primary population centers into KCP&L's 24/7 coverage. Operations crews assigned to the new Lee's Summit Service Center will be staffed in accordance with the policy of continual coverage. A local representative (with a take home vehicle) will still be stationed in the City of Buckner, Missouri. This will provide timely response in these areas by reducing the travel time from a central metropolitan location.

10. The proposed sale of the Blue Springs Service Center should have no impact upon the tax revenues of the political subdivision in which the structures, facilities or equipment is located.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order approving the sale of the Blue Springs Service Center by October 13, 2009, as proposed herein, and for such other relief as may be granted herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

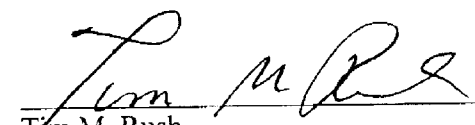
I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been hand delivered, emailed or mailed, postage prepaid, this 19th day of August, 2009, to all counsel of record.

/s/ Roger W. Steiner
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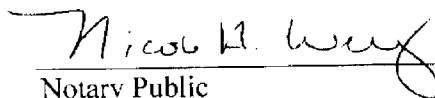
State of Missouri)
) ss
County of Jackson)

I, Tim M. Rush, having been duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the Director, Regulatory Affairs of Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCPL"), that I am duly authorized to make this affidavit on behalf of the Applicant, and that the matters and things stated in the foregoing pleading are true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge and belief.

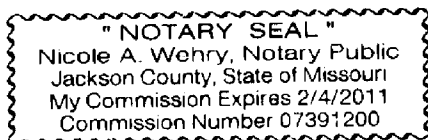


Tim M. Rush

Subscribed and sworn before me this 19th day of August, 2009.



Notary Public



Attachment No. 1

Description of the Property to Be Sold

Blue Springs Service Center

1105 SE US-40

Blue Springs, MO 64014

1.0 mile from I-70 to the East off of Missouri Hwy 7

Approximately 14 Acres

5,050 SF of Office Space

11,394 SF of Warehouse Space

Attachment No. 2

Contract of Sale

**HIGHLY
CONFIDENTIAL**