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Company For a Rate Increase)

In the Matter of the Application)
of KCP&L Greater Missouri) File No. ER-2010-0356
Operations for a Rate Increase)

NANCY DIPPELL, Presiding
DEPUTY REGULATORY LAW JUDGE

TERRY JARRETT,
COMMISSIONER

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 JUDGE DIPPELL: This is Case Nos. ER-2010-0355 and
3 ER-2010-0356, in which the Missouri Public Service
4 Commission has set up public comment hearing. These cases
5 involve rate increase requests by Kansas City Power and
6 Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations
7 Company.

8 My name is Nancy Dippell. I'm the Regulatory Law
9 Judge for the Commission, and it's my job to run the
10 comment hearing this evening. With me tonight is one of
11 our Commissioners, Commissioner Terry Jarrett.

12 Commissioner Jarrett, would you like to say some
13 opening remarks before we get started?

14 COMMISSIONER JARRETT: Sure. Absolutely. Thanks,
15 Judge.

16 On behalf of all the Commissioners, I want to
17 welcome you here tonight to this local public hearing.
18 Thanks for coming out. I am one of five commissioners.
19 We are spread a little thin. We've got several rate cases
20 going on, and we've got commissioners spread out through-
21 out the State going to different local public hearings.
22 So, don't take the fact that I'm the only commissioner
23 that's here as, you know, that this isn't important,
24 because it is.

25 This is our opportunity as commissioners to hear

1 from the rate payers, their thoughts, their concerns,
2 their issues regarding the company, especially quality of
3 service issues, their opinions on the case itself. So,
4 we're happy to have you here.

5 A few months ago, we developed sort of a new way
6 of doing these local public hearings. Some of you may
7 have been to ones in the past. Our staff put together a
8 presentation to sort of talk about how the process works,
9 and we extended the question-and-answer session to
10 hopefully get your questions answered and take a little
11 bit of the mystery out of what, what we do. So,
12 hopefully, that was helpful.

13 On the table, I think there are some sheets that
14 you can fill out for suggestions and you can comment on,
15 on whether the session was helpful or not, and we'd be
16 very glad to get your comments on that because we want to
17 make this process as transparent as possible, also give
18 you the information about the process so that you can
19 understand what, what we do at the Commission. Because
20 we're not all that well publicized there, and it can be a
21 mystery as to how we conduct our business.

22 But, anyway, again, thank you for being here.
23 Look forward to hearing your testimony, and I'll turn it
24 back over to the Judge.

25 JUDGE DIPPELL: This is an official hearing of the

1 Missouri Public Service Commission and, as such, the
2 statements and testimony that you give this evening will
3 be recorded by a Court Reporter and must be taken under
4 oath or affirmation. That way, all of the Commissioners
5 then will have the opportunity to read the transcript.
6 We're also recording this on the camera there
7 (indicating), and it will be made available on our
8 website.

9 The purpose of this hearing, again, is to receive
10 your comments, and so the company will now not present
11 witnesses at this stage, won't answer questions on the
12 record; also, the Commissioner and I aren't here to answer
13 questions. We're just here to hear your remarks and your
14 comments.

15 I don't believe I had anyone that had signed up on
16 the sign-up sheet yet, but I hope that, when I ask you to,
17 someone will decide that they may want to give some
18 testimony. So, I'll tell you about the process, and then
19 you can decide.

20 I'll basically ask you to come up to the podium,
21 I'll swear you in, and I'll ask you to state and spell
22 your name, and then you can give us your comments. After
23 you've given comments, I'll ask if the Commissioner and
24 me, some of the parties that are represented here this
25 evening, might have some clarifying questions to ask you.

1 At this time, I will go ahead and let the
2 attorneys and other parties present make their entries of
3 appearance; and I'll begin with Staff.

4 MS. McCLOWRY: Thank you, Judge.

5 Meghan McClowry on behalf of the Staff of the
6 Missouri Public Service Commission. My business address
7 is P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102.

8 JUDGE DIPPELL: And the Office of the Public
9 Counsel?

10 MR. MILLS: Thank you, Judge.

11 On behalf of the Office of the Public Counsel and
12 the Public, Lewis Mills. My business address is P.O. Box
13 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102.

14 JUDGE DIPPELL: And accompanying him?

15 MR. FISHER: My name is Jim Fisher, an attorney in
16 Jeff City, Missouri, at 101 Madison Street, Jefferson
17 City, Missouri, 65101.

18 JUDGE DIPPELL: Mr. Wagner?

19 MR. WAGNER: Mr. Robert Wagner, Pro Se Intervenor,
20 9005 North Chatham, Kansas City, Missouri, 64154.

21 JUDGE DIPPELL: Were there any other parties
22 present?

23 (No response.)

24 JUDGE DIPPELL: All right. Thank you.

25 Well, at this time, then, I will ask if there's

1 anyone who would like to come forward and give comments.

2 This is, this is your chance.

3 (No response.)

4 JUDGE DIPPELL: Well, I hope that that means that
5 you got your questions answered; and anyone who didn't get
6 all their questions answered and wants to speak with some
7 of the Commission, Staff who are present, or Mr. Mills's
8 office, or the Company representatives that are here
9 tonight, I hope you'll take advantage of that if you still
10 have issues that you need to work out.

11 We do appreciate you coming out and participating
12 in the question-and-answer session; and, with that, we can
13 go ahead and go off the record.

14 Thank you.

15 (Whereupon, the record ended at 6:20 p.m.)

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