UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WOLF CREEK NUCLEAR OPERATING CORPORATION DOCKET NO. 50-482

NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 53 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-42 issued to Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation, which revised the license for operation of the Wolf Creek Generating Station located in Coffey County, Kansas.

The amendment is effective as of the consummation of the pending merger between Kansas Gas and Electric Company and a subsidiary of Kansas Power and Light Company, provided that the merger is completed on or before March 31, 1992.

The amendment changes the operating license to reflect the transfer of the Kansas Gas and Electric Company (KG&E) possession only interest in the operating license to a successor company resulting from the merger of KG&E with Kansas Power and Light Company (KPL), and the transfer and change of KG&E to a wholly-owned subsidiary of KPL.

The application for the amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission had made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendment.

Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License, Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination, and Opportunity for Hearing for Transfer of Ownership Interest and Opportunity

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for Public Comment on Antitrust Issues in connection with this action was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on May 13, 1991 (56 FR 22026). No request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene was filed following this notice.

The Commission has prepared an Environmental Assessment related to the action and has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement. Based upon the environmental assessment, the Commission has concluded that the issuance of this amendment will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. The Environmental Assessment was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on October 18, 1991 (56 FR 52302). In addition, a Notice of No Significant Antitrust Changes and Time for Filing Requests for Reevaluation was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on October 18, 1991 (56 FR 55145). No comments or requests for reevaluation were received.

For further details with respect to the action see (1) the application for transfer dated March 28, 1991, (2) the application for amendment dated April 23, 1991, (3) Amendment No. 53 to License No. NPF-42, and (4) the Commission's related Safety Evaluation and Environmental Assessment. All of these items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 'ie Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20555 and at Emporia State University, William Allen White Library, 1200 Commercial Street, Emporia, Kansas 66901 and Washburn University School of Law Library, Topeka, Kansas 66621. A copy of items (3) and (4) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory

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Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Director, Division of Reactor Projects III/IV/V.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 19th day of November 1991.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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