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Kansas Gas and Electric Company
(Wolf Creek Generating Station)
Docket No. STN 50-482
NRC Operating License NPF-42

Gentlemen:

The merger of Kansas Gas and Electric Company (KG&E) with and into a subsidiary of The Kansas Power and Light Company (KPL) was completed today. The NRC had given its consent to transfer of KG&E's interest in the Wolf Creek Operating License, NPF-42, to KPL and its associated approval of Amendment 53 to NPF-42 on November 19, 1991. Notice thereof was published in the Federal Register on November 26, 1991 (56 Fed. Reg. 59664). That consent and amendment were conditioned by the NRC on the merger's being completed on or before March 31, 1992.

Given the completion of the merger today, KG&E withdraws its request, made under exigent circumstances on March 20, 1992,¹ for extension of the March 31 "sunset date" on the NRC's approval. William Reckley, the project manager, has been notified by telephone earlier this afternoon of the merger and this withdrawal. A copy of the press release announcing completion of the merger is attached.

¹ Letter, Kent R. Brown to U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (Docket No. STN 50-482), March 20, 1992, with attached Application under Exigent Circumstances. . . .

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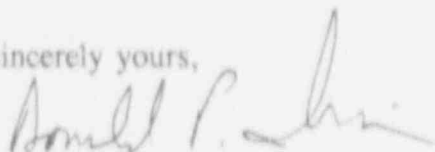
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On its behalf and that of the other KPL licensees, KG&E wishes to thank the NRC for its timely assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please call me at the above number, Kent Brown, Senior Vice President, KG&E, at 316/2661-6837, or Richard Terrill, Corporate Secretary, KG&E, at 316/261-6568.

Sincerely yours,



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KPL/KG&E MERGER CLOSES

WICHITA, Kansas, March 31, 1992 -- The Kansas Power and Light Company (KPL) today announced that the merger of KPL with Kansas Gas and Electric Company (KG&E) has officially closed.

According to the terms of the merger agreement, KG&E becomes a wholly-owned subsidiary of KPL. The subsidiary's headquarters will remain in Wichita, Kansas.

Today's action ends nearly one and a half years of regulatory review and internal preparation beginning on October 28, 1990, when KPL and KG&E announced their intent to merge.

Prior to today's closing, regulatory approvals were received from the Securities and Exchange Commission in February 1992; the Kansas Corporation Commission and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in November 1991; the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Missouri Public Service Commission in September 1991. KPL and KG&E shareholders approved the merger in March 1991.

KG&E common shareholders have until 5 p.m. New York time today to submit an election or change previous elections to express their preference to receive KPL common stock, cash, or a combination of stock and cash for their KG&E common shares. Instructions for

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submitting elections were mailed to KG&E shareholders on February 12, 1992.

The conversion ratio for converting KG&E stock into KPL common stock remains at 1.347 KPL shares per KG&E share as it was at the conclusion of the original pricing period.

KG&E shareholders who have previously submitted valid elections need take no additional action.

Additional information regarding election procedures can be obtained from the Exchange Agent at 800-352-7611 or from the Information Agent at 800-223-2064.

Including its new subsidiary, KPL now provides natural gas service to approximately 1,070,000 customers in Kansas, western Missouri, and northern Oklahoma. It provides electric service to 566,000 customers in the eastern half of Kansas. It employs 5,625 persons.