

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>DOWNEY WILLIAM H</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED</u> <u>1200 MAIN STREET</u> (Street) <u>KANSAS CITY MO 64105</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INC [GXP]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>President & COO</u> |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/05/2010</u> | |
| 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 2,853 ⁽¹⁾ | I | 401-k |
| Common Stock | 05/05/2010 | | F | | 2,120 ⁽²⁾ | D | \$19.05 | 146,674 ⁽³⁾ | D | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | |
| Stock Options (Right-to-buy) ⁽⁴⁾ | (4) | | | | | | | (4) | (4) | Common Stock | 45,249 | 45,249 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Amount includes 139 shares acquired between March 2, 2010, and May 5, 2010, from automatic payroll deduction and investment in the Company's 401-K Plan.
- Relinquished to the Company for withholding taxes incident to the vesting of restricted stock on May 5, 2010.
- Amount includes 532 shares acquired between February 6, 2010, and May 5, 2010, through participation in the Company's Dividend Reinvestment and Direct Stock Purchase Plan. Plan.
- Stock options granted in tandem with stock appreciation rights exercisable automatically in the event of a change-in-control as defined by the Long-Term Incentive Plan under which they were granted. Options may be exercised with cash or previously-owned shares of Common Stock.

Remarks:

William H. Downey

05/07/2010

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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