

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14D-1

(Amendment No. 65)

Tender Offer Statement
(Pursuant to Section 14(d)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934)

Kansas City Power & Light Company
(Name of Subject Company)

Western Resources, Inc.
(Bidder)

Common Stock, Without Par Value
(Title of Class of Securities)

48513410
(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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This Amendment No.65 amends and supplements the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule 14D-1 (the "Schedule 14D-1"), originally filed by Western Resources, Inc., a Kansas corporation ("Western Resources"), on July 8, 1996 relating to the exchange offer disclosed therein to exchange all of the outstanding Shares for shares of Western Resources Common Stock upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Prospectus, dated July 3, 1996, and the related Letter of Transmittal. Capitalized terms used and not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Schedule 14D-1.

Item 11. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

Item 11 is hereby amended and supplemented by adding thereto the following:

(a)(153) Employee update and press release issued on February 6, 1997.

SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

WESTERN RESOURCES, INC.

Date February 6, 1997

By /s/ JERRY D. COURINGTON
Jerry D. Courington,
Controller

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit No.	Description	Sequentially Numbered Pages
(a)(153)	Employee update and press release issued on February 6, 1997.	1

Exhibit No. (a)(153)

The following employee update and press release was issued by Western Resources, Inc. on February 6, 1997:

JOINT NEWS RELEASE

KCPL, WESTERN RESOURCES
CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS

TENDER OFFER EXTENDED TO FEBRUARY 7

KANSAS CITY, Missouri, and TOPEKA, Kansas, February 6, 1997
(7 a.m. CST) -- Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE:KLT) and Western Resources, Inc. (NYSE:WR) said today that substantive merger negotiations are continuing between the two companies.

As a result of the positive dialogue between the companies and the complexity of negotiations, Western Resources is extending the expiration date of its tender offer to 5 p.m. EST February 7, 1997.

As of 5 p.m. EST February 5, 1997, 30.3 million shares of KCPL (or approximately 49 percent of the total outstanding shares) had been tendered to Western Resources.

This news release/employee update is neither an offer to exchange nor a solicitation of an offer to exchange shares of common stock of KCPL. Such offer is made solely by the Prospectus dated July 3, 1996, and the related Letter of Transmittal, and is not being made to, nor will tenders be accepted from or on behalf of, holders of shares of common stock of KCPL in any jurisdiction in which the making of such offer or the acceptance thereof would not be in compliance with the laws of such jurisdiction. In any jurisdictions where securities, blue sky or other laws require such offer to be made by a licensed broker or dealer, such offer shall be deemed to be made on behalf of Western Resources, Inc. by Salomon Brothers Inc or one or more registered brokers or dealers licensed under the laws of such jurisdiction.