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KANSAS CITY POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY

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(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

WESTERN RESOURCES, INC.

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(Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement)

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The following letters were mailed to area business leaders on June 17, 1996:

June 17, 1996

[CITY], [STATE], [ZIP]

Dear ,

There has been a new development in our offer to merge with Kansas City  
Power & Light Company (KCPL) that I would like to share with you. Today, we  
increased the value of our offer to merge with KCPL to \$31 from \$28 in Western  
Resources' common shares for each share of KCPL common stock subject to a  
protective collar of at least .933 and as much as 1.1 shares of Western  
Resources stock. Our offer remains a tax-free, stock-for-stock transaction.

We believe our offer continues to be financially superior to UtiliCorp's proposal. We also are committed to providing decreases in electric rates for KCPL customers as a result of a successful Western Resources/KCPL combination.

As you may remember, on April 14 we announced our intent to decrease electric rates for KCPL customers. If our merger offer is accepted, we will honor the Missouri rate reduction of \$20 million per year, reducing rates for KCPL Missouri customers by \$20 million and providing \$8 million in reductions to KCPL Kansas customers.

Western Resources has made this offer for KCPL because the benefits resulting from a Western Resources/KCPL merger are too great to ignore. We remain hopeful that KCPL's management and board will see the merits and benefits of our new offer and take the opportunity to meet with us personally for discussions.

As new developments occur in our proposal, we will keep you informed. In the meantime, Western Resources will continue with its strategic plan, pursuing growth opportunities and providing customers with quality services. Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

/s/ John E. Hayes, Jr.

Western Resources has filed exchange offer materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission and intends to make its offer directly to shareholders of KCPL as soon as its registration statement has been declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

A registration statement relating to the Western Resources securities referred to in these materials has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission but has not yet become effective. Such securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time the registration statement becomes effective. These materials shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such offer, solicitation, or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities law of any such state.

June 17, 1996

Name  
Company Name  
Address  
Address  
City, State Zip

Dear Wichita political/business leader,

There has been a new development in our offer to merge with Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCPL) that I would like to share with you.

Today, we increased the value of our offer to merge with KCPL to \$31 from \$28 in Western Resources' common shares for each share of KCPL common stock subject to a protective collar of at least .933 and as much as 1.1 shares of Western Resources stock. Our offer remains a tax-free, stock-for-stock transaction.

We believe our offer continues to be financially superior to UtiliCorp's proposal, and we are committed to providing decreases in electric rates for KGE customers as a result of a successful Western Resources/KCPL combination. If our offer is accepted, at the end of a 10-year period following the merger, KGE electric rates would be more than 10 percent below the national average.

Western Resources has made this offer for KCPL because the benefits resulting from a Western Resources/KCPL merger are too great to ignore. We remain hopeful that KCPL's management and board will see the merits and benefits of our new offer and take the opportunity to meet with us personally for discussions.

As new developments occur in our offer, we will keep you informed. In the meantime, Western Resources will continue with its strategic plan, pursuing appropriate growth opportunities and providing customers with quality

services. Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

/s/ Bill Moore

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The following employee update was released on June 18, 1996:

EMPLOYEE UPDATE

June 18, 1996

Employees are encouraged to call Starline with questions or comments about the proposed merger with KCPL or other company issues. You may call the Starline by dialing 1-800-621-4282 or, from your work location, call 913-575-8180. Please leave your name and location for the fastest reply. The following questions with answers are a compilation of those received recently on Starline:

Q. Briefly explain this most recent offer Western Resources has proposed?

A. Western Resources has increased the value of its offer for each KCPL common share by three dollars, from \$28 to \$31. It is a tax-free, stock-for-stock transaction valued at approximately \$1.9 billion. KCPL shareowners will receive up to 1.1 and at least .933 shares of Western Resources' common stock for each of their common shares. This higher offer reflects Western Resources' belief that a combination with KCPL is a smart business opportunity that is in the best interests of our respective shareowners, region, customers and employees.

Q. Why did Western Resources feel compelled to increase its offer for KCPL?

A. We believe this is a business opportunity with too many positive benefits for the shareowners, region, customers and employees to let pass. We share contiguous service areas, jointly serving more than 100,000 customers. We have joint interests in \$2 billion in assets. The synergies available are real, as are the projected cost savings of more than \$1 billion in the first 10 years. We strongly believe our offer makes much more sense from a business and financial point of view.

Q. What are you asking KCPL to do?

A. We would hope that KCPL's management and its board of directors would take the best interests of their shareowners, employees, customers, and the region to heart in considering our offer. We continue to be prepared to negotiate a friendly transaction with KCPL and have asked that the KCPL board respond to us by noon, Monday, June 24.

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The following letter was released to Western Resources Shareholders on Jun 17, 1996:

John E. Hayes, Jr.  
Chairman of the Board and  
Chief Executive Officer

June 17, 1996

Dear Western Resources Shareowner,

Because of the tremendous growth potential and savings opportunities, Western Resources today increased its offer to merge with Kansas City Power & Light Company.

We have increased the offer to KCPL from \$28 to \$31 with a minimum of .933 and a maximum of 1.1 shares of Western Resources common stock being offered for each KCPL share of common stock. The resulting annual dividend per KCPL share would equate to between \$2.00 and \$2.35 based on our projected annual dividend for 1998.

The increased offer demonstrates how serious Western Resources is about the KCPL combination. It will hopefully put to rest the misinformation campaign about Western Resources' true intentions in this effort. We also hope it will bring the KCPL board around to a negotiated transaction. As you know, they have refused to meet with us to discuss our offer.

As with our other business opportunities, this newest development is designed to grow your investment in Western Resources. It represents another element of our business plan. We have proceeded thoughtfully throughout the KCPL effort in order to maintain the financial confidence you have placed in us.

As always, if you have questions, please contact us at 1-800-527-2495.

Sincerely,

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