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KANSAS CITY POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

WESTERN RESOURCES, INC.

(Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement)

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The following employee update was issued on May 9, 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 and from employee meetings:

Q. What happens if KCPL shareholders on May 22 endorse the UtiliCorp merger proposal?

A. As discussed at our annual shareholder meeting by John Hayes, chairman and chief executive officer, a merger with KCPL enhances our business plan. But the success of our business plan does not depend on this merger.

Q. Do Western Resources and KCPL jointly own generating facilities?

A. Western Resources and KCPL each own 47 percent of the Wolf Creek Nuclear Generation Station, with Kansas Electric Power Cooperative owning the remaining six percent. We also share ownership of the two LaCygne coal-fired plants. This joint ownership, plus overlapping service territories, are important reasons why we believe a Western Resources/KCPL merger makes a great deal more sense than the UtiliCorp proposal.

Q. There is a lot of interest in the stockbroker visits. Can you tell me about them?

A. Over the past several weeks, we have been making visits to analysts, portfolio managers and stockbrokers in dozens of cities across the country to demonstrate to them the strength of our proposal. The reaction of utility analysts to the Western Resources offer has been positive.

Q. What is being done to communicate directly with KCPL shareholders?

A. At the end of last week, we began mailing proxy information and a preliminary prospectus to KCPL shareholders. Remember, once the SEC declares our registration statement effective, we can commence an offer to KCPL shareholders to exchange their shares for Western Resources' shares. Until then, we can only send preliminary information.

In addition to this mailing, we also are planning a series of information meetings or "open houses" in the Kansas City area next week.

These "open houses" will feature exhibits from our annual meeting that explain our new products and services. In addition, company representatives will be available to visit one-on-one with KCPL shareholders about our merger proposal.

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 laws of any such state.