## SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

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"town" meetings in Kansas City	ill be holding a series of informational y with interested KCPL shareowners and you and any other shareowners to attend and e. The meeting schedule is:
Date/Time	Location
Monday, May 13, 10 a.m1 p.m.	Holiday Inn Crown Plaza 4445 Main Street KCMO
Tuesday, May 14, 2-5 p.m.	Holiday Inn 7240 Shawnee Mission Pkwy Overland Park, KS
Wednesday, May 15, 5-8 p.m.	Overland Park Fire Training Center 12401 Hemlock

Overland Park, KS

Thursday, May 16, Independence Town Hall 300 W. Truman Road 5-8 p.m. Independence, MO Friday, May 17, American Legion Hall 499 South 7 Highway 2-5 p.m.

Blue Springs, MO Monday, May 20, Park Place Hotel 2-5 p.m. I-435 & Front Street

**KCMO** 

The following letter was sent to KCPL Shareholders on May 10, 1996:

May 10, 1996

Dear KCPL Shareholder,

After getting volumes of information in the mail and seeing a confusing assault of newspaper ads, I am sure you have questions about Western Resources and its plan to combine with Kansas City Power and Light.

We want to give you the opportunity to learn about our company, our vision for the future and the offer which gives you a higher share price and much higher dividends.

Throughout the Kansas City area, we will have several open meetings where you can get your questions answered. The meeting dates, times and locations are as follows:

Monday, May 13 10:00 a.m. - - 1:00 p.m.

Holiday Inn Crown Plaza 4445 Main Street Kansas City, MO

Thursday, May 16 5:00 -8:00 p.m. Independence Town Hall 300 W. Truman Road Independence, MO Tuesday, May 14 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Holiday Inn 7240 Shawnee Mission Pkwy Overland Park, KS Friday, May 17 2:00 -5:00 p.m. American Legion Hall 499 South 7 Highway Blue Springs, MO Wednesday, May 15 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. O.P. Fire Training Center 12401 Hemlock Overland Park, KS Monday, May 20 2:00 -5:00 p.m. Park Place Hotel I-435 & Front Street Kansas City, MO

Each meeting has an "Open House" format. You and other shareholders will be able to learn more about the company in an informal, relaxed atmosphere. Refreshments will be available and a Western Resources executive will be on hand to answer any questions you might have about our offer.

We look forward to the opportunity to answer your questions and to learn more about Western Resources. Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

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

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.