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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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May 14, 1996, The Topeka Capital Journal, The Wichita Eagle,
The Boston Globe, The Wall Street Journal, Leawood Outlook
May 15, 1996, Olathe Daily News, Independence Examiner, Blue
Springs Examiner, Clay & Platte Dispatch, Liberty Tribune,
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May 16, 1996, Louisburg Herald, Osawatomie Graphic
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ATTENTION KCPL SHAREHOLDERS

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ON THE
FACTS.

Recently you've been inundated with information about the proposed UtiliCorp/KCPL merger and the Western Resources offer to combine with KCPL.

The key to KCPL shareholders can be reduced to a single word - VALUE.

	Western Resources' Offer	KCPL	Premium offered by Western Resources
Price	\$28.00*	\$23.88**	17%
Current Dividend	\$1.88-2.03***	\$1.56	20%-30%

The choice is clear. Choose Value. Choose Western Resources.

Vote X AGAINST the UtiliCorp/KCPL merger on the BLUE proxy card.

For more information, call Georgeson & Company, Inc., assisting us, at 1-800-223-2064.

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WESTERN RESOURCES

*The Western Resources Offer provides \$28.00 of Western Resources common stock per KCPL share as long as Western Resources' share price is between \$28.43 and \$30.77. **KCPL closing share price on April 12, 1996, the last trading day before the public announcement of the Western Resources Offer. ***Based on current indicated annual dividend of \$2.06.

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 S.E.C.

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.