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# FORM 10-Q

# [X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended **September 30, 2012** 

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On October 31, 2012, Great Plains Energ	gy Incorporated	had 1	53,475,4	437 share	es of common stock	c outsta	anding. On October 31,	2012, Kansas (	City	Power	: & Lig	ght Company

Kansas City Power & Light Company meets the conditions set forth in General Instruction (H)(1)(a) and (b) of Form 10-Q and is therefore filing this Form 10-Q

had one share of common stock outstanding and held by Great Plains Energy Incorporated.

with the reduced disclosure format.

This combined Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q is being filed by Great Plains Energy Incorporated (Great Plains Energy) and Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCP&L). KCP&L is a wholly owned subsidiary of Great Plains Energy and represents a significant portion of its assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and operations. Thus, all information contained in this report relates to, and is filed by, Great Plains Energy. Information that is specifically identified in this report as relating solely to Great Plains Energy, such as its financial statements and all information relating to Great Plains Energy's other operations, businesses and subsidiaries, including KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (GMO), does not relate to, and is not filed by, KCP&L. KCP&L makes no representation as to that information. Neither Great Plains Energy nor its other subsidiaries have any obligation in respect of KCP&L's debt securities and holders of such securities should not consider Great Plains Energy's or its other subsidiaries' financial resources or results of operations in making a decision with respect to KCP&L's debt securities. Similarly, KCP&L has no obligation in respect of securities of Great Plains Energy or its other subsidiaries.

This report should be read in its entirety. No one section of the report deals with all aspects of the subject matter. It should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes and with the management's discussion and analysis included in the 2011 Form 10-K for each of Great Plains Energy and KCP&L.

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#### CAUTIONARY STATEMENTS REGARDING CERTAIN FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

Statements made in this report that are not based on historical facts are forward-looking, may involve risks and uncertainties, and are intended to be as of the date when made. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the outcome of regulatory proceedings, cost estimates of capital projects and other matters affecting future operations. In connection with the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Great Plains Energy and KCP&L are providing a number of important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the provided forward-looking information. These important factors include: future economic conditions in regional, national and international markets and their effects on sales, prices and costs, including, but not limited to, possible further deterioration in economic conditions and the timing and extent of economic recovery; prices and availability of electricity in regional and national wholesale markets; market perception of the energy industry, Great Plains Energy and KCP&L; changes in business strategy, operations or development plans; effects of current or proposed state and federal legislative and regulatory actions or developments, including, but not limited to, deregulation, re-regulation and restructuring of the electric utility industry; decisions of regulators regarding rates the Companies can charge for electricity; adverse changes in applicable laws, regulations, rules, principles or practices governing tax, accounting and environmental matters including, but not limited to, air and water quality; financial market conditions and performance including, but not limited to, changes in interest rates and credit spreads and in availability and cost of capital and the effects on nuclear decommissioning trust and pension plan assets and costs; impairments of long-lived assets or goodwill; credit ratings; inflation rates; effectiveness of risk management policies and procedures and the ability of counterparties to satisfy their contractual commitments; impact of terrorist acts, including, but not limited to, cyber terrorism; ability to carry out marketing and sales plans; weather conditions including, but not limited to, weather-related damage and their effects on sales, prices and costs; cost, availability, quality and deliverability of fuel; the inherent uncertainties in estimating the effects of weather, economic conditions and other factors on customer consumption and financial results; ability to achieve generation goals and the occurrence and duration of planned and unplanned generation outages; delays in the anticipated in-service dates and cost increases of generation, transmission, distribution or other projects; the inherent risks associated with the ownership and operation of a nuclear facility including, but not limited to, environmental, health, safety, regulatory and financial risks; workforce risks, including, but not limited to, increased costs of retirement, health care and other benefits; and other risks and uncertainties.

This list of factors is not all-inclusive because it is not possible to predict all factors. Part II Item 1A Risk Factors included in this report, together with the risk factors included in the 2011 Form 10-K for each of Great Plains Energy and KCP&L under Part I Item 1A, should be carefully read for further understanding of potential risks for each of Great Plains Energy and KCP&L. Other sections of this report and other periodic reports filed by each of Great Plains Energy and KCP&L with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) should also be read for more information regarding risk factors. Each forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date of the particular statement. Great Plains Energy and KCP&L undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

# **GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

The following is a glossary of frequently used abbreviations or acronyms that are found throughout this report.

# Abbreviation or Acronym Definition

AEPTHC AEP Transmission Holding Company, LLC
AFUDC Allowance for Funds Used During Construction

ARO Asset Retirement Obligation
BART Best available retrofit technology
Board Great Plains Energy Board of Directors

CAIR Clean Air Interstate Rule
CAMR Clean Air Mercury Rule

Clean Air Act Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990

CO<sub>2</sub> Carbon dioxide

**Collaboration Agreement** Agreement among KCP&L, the Sierra Club and the Concerned Citizens of Platte County

**Company** Great Plains Energy Incorporated and its subsidiaries

Companies Great Plains Energy Incorporated and its consolidated subsidiaries and KCP&L and its consolidated

subsidiaries

**CSAPR** Cross-State Air Pollution Rule

**DOE** Department of Energy

**EBITDA** Earnings before interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization

ECA Energy Cost Adjustment
EGU Electric steam generating unit

**EIRR** Environmental Improvement Revenue Refunding

**EPA** Environmental Protection Agency **EPS** Earnings per common share

**ERISA** Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended

**FAC** Fuel Adjustment Clause

**FERC** The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission **GAAP** Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

GMO KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Great Plains Energy

**GPETHC** GPE Transmission Holding Company LLC

**Great Plains Energy** Great Plains Energy Incorporated and its subsidiaries

IRS Internal Revenue Service
ISO Independent System Operator

KCC The State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas

KCP&L
 Kansas City Power & Light Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Great Plains Energy
 KCP&L Receivables Company
 Kansas City Power & Light Receivables Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of KCP&L

**KDHE** Kansas Department of Health and Environment

kV Kilovolt
KW Kilowatt
kWh Kilowatt hour

**L&P** St. Joseph Light & Power, a division of GMO **MACT** Maximum achievable control technology

# **Abbreviation or Acronym**

## **Definition**

MAP-21 Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act

MATS Mercury and Air Toxics Standards

MD&A Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

MDNRMissouri Department of Natural ResourcesMEEIAMissouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act

MGP Manufactured gas plant

MPS Merchant Services, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of GMO

MPSC Public Service Commission of the State of Missouri

MW Megawatt
MWh Megawatt hour

NAAQS National Ambient Air Quality Standard

NERC North American Electric Reliability Corporation

**NEIL** Nuclear Electric Insurance Limited

 $egin{array}{ll} \textbf{NOL} & \textbf{Net operating loss} \\ \textbf{NO}_{x} & \textbf{Nitrogen oxide} \\ \end{array}$ 

NPNS Normal purchases and normal sales
NRC Nuclear Regulatory Commission
OCI Other Comprehensive Income
PCB Polychlorinated biphenyls

PpmParts per millionPRBPowder River BasinQCAQuarterly Cost Adjustment

RTO Regional Transmission Organization

SCR Selective catalytic reduction

SECSecurities and Exchange CommissionSERPSupplemental Executive Retirement Plan

SO<sub>2</sub> Sulfur dioxide

SPPSouthwest Power Pool, Inc.SyncoraSyncora Guarantee Inc.TransourceTransource Energy, LLCTransource MissouriTransource Missouri, LLC

WCNOC Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation
Westar Westar Energy, Inc., a Kansas utility company

Wolf Creek Generating Station

# PART 1 - FINANCIAL INFORMATION ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED

# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(Unaudited)

	September 30 2012	December 31 2011		
ASSETS	(millions, exce	ept share amounts)		
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6.9	\$ 6.2		
Funds on deposit	1.6	1.4		
Receivables, net	218.6	231.2		
Accounts receivable pledged as collateral	190.0	95.0		
Fuel inventories, at average cost	94.4	89.0		
Materials and supplies, at average cost	148.1	140.3		
Deferred refueling outage costs	14.1	27.5		
Refundable income taxes	7.0	0.3		
Deferred income taxes	116.3	7.5		
Derivative instruments	1.0	1.0		
Prepaid expenses and other assets	23.1	19.7		
Total	821.1	619.1		
Utility Plant, at Original Cost				
Electric	11,112.4	10,924.8		
Less - accumulated depreciation	4,390.9	4,235.8		
Net utility plant in service	6,721.5	6,689.0		
Construction work in progress	468.0	287.9		
Nuclear fuel, net of amortization of \$149.6 and \$132.7	80.8	76.6		
Total	7,270.3	7,053.5		
Investments and Other Assets				
Nuclear decommissioning trust fund	152.1	135.3		
Regulatory assets	1,012.8	1,058.2		
Goodwill	169.0	169.0		
Derivative instruments	5.8	6.8		
Other	71.3	76.1		
Total	1,411.0	1,445.4		
Total	\$ 9,502.4	\$ 9,118.0		

 $The \ accompanying \ Notes \ to \ Consolidated \ Financial \ Statements \ are \ an \ integral \ part \ of \ these \ statements.$ 

# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(Unaudited)

	September 30 2012	December 31 2011
LIABILITIES AND CAPITALIZATION	(millions, exce	pt share amounts)
Current Liabilities		
Notes payable	\$ 31.0	\$ 22.0
Collateralized note payable	190.0	95.0
Commercial paper	427.0	267.0
Current maturities of long-term debt	257.1	801.4
Accounts payable	222.4	275.6
Accrued taxes	97.5	25.8
Accrued interest	60.1	76.9
Accrued compensation and benefits	42.3	40.8
Pension and post-retirement liability	4.4	4.4
Other	24.7	26.0
Total	1,356.5	1,634.9
Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities		
Deferred income taxes	854.1	628.6
Deferred tax credits	129.4	131.2
Asset retirement obligations	156.6	149.6
Pension and post-retirement liability	449.5	461.9
Regulatory liabilities	282.7	268.5
Other	106.3	101.1
Total	1,978.6	1,740.9
Capitalization		
Great Plains Energy common shareholders' equity		
Common stock - 250,000,000 shares authorized without par value		
153,717,021 and 136,406,306 shares issued, stated value	2,622.9	2,330.6
Retained earnings	787.8	684.7
Treasury stock - 254,226 and 264,567 shares, at cost	(5.2)	(5.6
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(40.1)	(49.8
Total	3,365.4	2,959.9
Noncontrolling interest	_	1.0
Cumulative preferred stock \$100 par value		
3.80% - 100,000 shares issued	10.0	10.0
4.50% - 100,000 shares issued	10.0	10.0
4.20% - 70,000 shares issued	7.0	7.0
4.35% - 120,000 shares issued	12.0	12.0
Total	39.0	39.0
Long-term debt (Note 9)	2,762.9	2,742.3
Total	6,167.3	5,742.2
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 10)		
Total	\$ 9,502.4	\$ 9,118.0

The accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

# Consolidated Statements of Income and Comprehensive Income

(Unaudited)

		Three Mo Septer	nths Ei			Year : Septer	to Dat nber 3		
		2012		2011		2012		2011	
Operating Revenues			(m	illions, except ¡	per share	amounts)			
Electric revenues	\$	746.2	\$	773.7	\$	1,829.5	\$	1,831.7	
Operating Expenses									
Fuel		164.7		146.5		422.1		365.8	
Purchased power		17.9		68.1		69.5		178.4	
Transmission of electricity by others		9.8		8.6		25.9		23.1	
Utility operating and maintenance expenses		156.8		169.1		484.0		487.7	
Voluntary separation program		_		_		_		12.7	
Depreciation and amortization		68.9		65.9		204.2		205.9	
General taxes		50.8		52.3		140.3		134.6	
Other		0.3		0.5		7.5		4.0	
Total		469.2		511.0		1,353.5		1,412.2	
Operating income		277.0		262.7		476.0		419.5	
Non-operating income		2.1		1.4		4.6		5.8	
Non-operating expenses		(1.9)		(1.3)		(9.5)		(6.3)	
Interest charges		(48.1)		(60.8)		(170.8)		(156.0)	
Income before income tax expense and loss from equity investments		229.1		202.0		300.3		263.0	
Income tax expense		(82.6)		(75.4)		(104.9)		(90.6)	
Loss from equity investments, net of income taxes		(0.1)		_		(0.2)		(0.1)	
Net income		146.4		126.6		195.2		172.3	
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		(0.2)		(0.1)		_		_	
Net income attributable to Great Plains Energy		146.2		126.5		195.2		172.3	
Preferred stock dividend requirements		0.4		0.4		1.2		1.2	
Earnings available for common shareholders	\$	145.8	\$	126.1	\$	194.0	\$	171.1	
Average number of basic common shares outstanding		153.2		135.7		142.9		135.6	
Average number of diluted common shares outstanding		153.4		138.3		145.0		138.5	
Basic earnings per common share	\$	0.95	\$	0.93	\$	1.36	\$	1.26	
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ \$	0.95	\$	0.93	\$	1.34	\$	1.24	
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Cash dividends per common share	\$	0.2125	\$	0.2075	\$	0.6375	\$	0.6225	
Comprehensive Income									
Net income	\$	146.4	\$	126.6	\$	195.2	\$	172.3	
Other comprehensive income									
Derivative hedging activity									
Gain (loss) on derivative hedging instruments		0.1		(0.1)		(0.1)		(5.5)	
Income tax (expense) benefit		(0.1)		0.1				2.2	
Net loss on derivative hedging instruments		_		_		(0.1)		(3.3)	
Reclassification to expenses, net of tax		3.4		3.1		9.6		7.3	
Derivative hedging activity, net of tax		3.4		3.1		9.5		4.0	
Defined benefit pension plans									
Amortization of net losses included in net periodic benefit costs		0.1		_		0.3		0.2	
Income tax expense						(0.1)		(0.1)	
Change in unrecognized pension expense, net of tax		0.1		_		0.2		0.1	
Total other comprehensive income		3.5		3.1		9.7		4.1	
Comprehensive income		149.9		129.7		204.9		176.4	
Less: comprehensive income attributable to noncontrolling interest		(0.2)		(0.1)		_		_	
Comprehensive income attributable to Great Plains Energy	\$	149.7	\$	129.6	\$	204.9	\$	176.4	

 $The \ accompanying \ Notes \ to \ Consolidated \ Financial \ Statements \ are \ an \ integral \ part \ of \ these \ statements.$ 

# **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

(Unaudited)

Year to Date September 30		2011
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	(millio	ns)
Net income	\$ 195.2	\$ 172.3
Adjustments to reconcile income to net cash from operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	204.2	205.9
Amortization of:		
Nuclear fuel	16.9	13.5
Other	22.6	7.5
Deferred income taxes, net	115.8	124.0
Investment tax credit amortization	(1.8)	(1.5)
Loss from equity investments, net of income taxes	0.2	0.1
Other operating activities (Note 2)	(66.8)	(154.3)
Net cash from operating activities	486.3	367.5
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Utility capital expenditures	(409.5)	(317.8)
Allowance for borrowed funds used during construction	(3.9)	(3.1)
Purchases of nuclear decommissioning trust investments	(20.4)	(15.5)
Proceeds from nuclear decommissioning trust investments	17.9	13.0
Other investing activities	(12.1)	(17.4)
Net cash from investing activities	(428.0)	(340.8)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities		
Issuance of common stock	291.6	4.5
Issuance of long-term debt	_	747.1
Issuance fees	(2.6)	(6.2)
Repayment of long-term debt	(513.8)	(448.5)
Net change in short-term borrowings	169.0	(234.5)
Net change in collateralized short-term borrowings	95.0	_
Dividends paid	(91.7)	(85.9)
Other financing activities	(5.1)	(5.1)
Net cash from financing activities	(57.6)	(28.6)
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	0.7	(1.9)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year	6.2	10.8
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period	\$ 6.9	\$ 8.9

The accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

# $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Consolidated Statements of Common Shareholders' Equity and Noncontrolling Interest} \\ (Unaudited) \end{tabular}$

Year to Date September 30	20	2011				
	Shares	An	nount	Shares		Amount
Common Stock		(mi	llions, except s	share amounts)		
Beginning balance	136,406,306	\$	2,330.6	136,113,954	\$	2,324.4
Issuance of common stock	17,310,715		291.6	226,691		4.5
Equity compensation expense, net of forfeitures			0.2			0.2
Unearned Compensation						
Issuance of restricted common stock			(3.2)			(3.5)
Forfeiture of restricted common stock			1.3			0.9
Compensation expense recognized			1.9			1.7
Other			0.5			0.3
Ending balance	153,717,021		2,622.9	136,340,645		2,328.5
Retained Earnings						
Beginning balance			684.7			626.5
Net income attributable to Great Plains Energy			195.2			172.3
Loss on reissuance of treasury stock			(0.2)			(0.7)
Dividends:						
Common stock			(90.5)			(84.7)
Preferred stock - at required rates			(1.2)			(1.2)
Performance shares			(0.2)			(0.3)
Ending balance			787.8			711.9
Treasury Stock						
Beginning balance	(264,567)		(5.6)	(400,889)		(8.9)
Treasury shares acquired	(164,454)		(3.3)	(125,024)		(2.3)
Treasury shares reissued	174,795		3.7	259,024		5.6
Ending balance	(254,226)		(5.2)	(266,889)		(5.6)
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)						
Beginning balance			(49.8)			(56.1)
Derivative hedging activity, net of tax			9.5			4.0
Change in unrecognized pension expense, net of tax			0.2			0.1
Ending balance			(40.1)			(52.0)
Total Great Plains Energy Common Shareholders' Equity		\$	3,365.4		\$	2,982.8
Noncontrolling Interest						
Beginning balance		\$	1.0		\$	1.2
Distribution			(1.0)			_
Ending balance		\$			\$	1.2
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The accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(Unaudited)

	September 30 2012	December 31 2011
ASSETS	(millions, exce	pt share amounts)
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2.8	\$ 1.9
Funds on deposit	0.2	0.1
Receivables, net	207.1	172.9
Accounts receivable pledged as collateral	110.0	95.0
Fuel inventories, at average cost	65.2	59.0
Materials and supplies, at average cost	107.2	101.1
Deferred refueling outage costs	14.1	27.5
Refundable income taxes	_	5.7
Deferred income taxes	7.3	_
Prepaid expenses and other assets	20.7	16.0
Total	534.6	479.2
Utility Plant, at Original Cost		
Electric	7,939.8	7,829.3
Less - accumulated depreciation	3,342.7	3,243.0
Net utility plant in service	4,597.1	4,586.3
Construction work in progress	381.5	203.5
Nuclear fuel, net of amortization of \$149.6 and \$132.7	80.8	76.6
Total	5,059.4	4,866.4
Investments and Other Assets		
Nuclear decommissioning trust fund	152.1	135.3
Regulatory assets	743.9	780.7
Other	27.3	30.6
Total	923.3	946.6
Total	\$ 6,517.3	\$ 6,292.2

# **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

(Unaudited)

	September 30 2012	December 31 2011		
LIABILITIES AND CAPITALIZATION	(millions, excep	ot share amounts)		
Current Liabilities				
Collateralized note payable	\$ 110.0	\$ 95.0		
Commercial paper	256.0	227.0		
Current maturities of long-term debt	0.4	12.7		
Accounts payable	193.1	214.8		
Accrued taxes	91.1	20.6		
Accrued interest	39.8	30.0		
Accrued compensation and benefits	42.3	40.8		
Pension and post-retirement liability	3.0	3.0		
Other	12.7	13.7		
Total	748.4	657.6		
Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities				
Deferred income taxes	825.5	772.7		
Deferred tax credits	126.5	127.9		
Asset retirement obligations	140.6	134.3		
Pension and post-retirement liability	428.7	440.9		
Regulatory liabilities	151.4	142.8		
Other	81.6	68.6		
Total	1,754.3	1,687.2		
Capitalization				
Common shareholder's equity				
Common stock - 1,000 shares authorized without par value				
1 share issued, stated value	1,563.1	1,563.1		
Retained earnings	577.0	513.8		
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(27.1)	(31.4)		
Total	2,113.0	2,045.5		
Long-term debt (Note 9)	1,901.6	1,901.9		
Total	4,014.6	3,947.4		
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 10)				
Total	\$ 6,517.3	\$ 6,292.2		

# Consolidated Statements of Income and Comprehensive Income

(Unaudited)

	Three Mo Septer	onths Ei mber 30				to Date ember 30	
	2012		2011		2012		2011
Operating Revenues			(mill	lions)			
Electric revenues	\$ 508.0	\$	506.3	\$	1,244.1	\$	1,220.5
Operating Expenses							
Fuel	114.5		99.3		297.8		249.0
Purchased power	10.1		24.9		23.7		66.7
Transmission of electricity by others	6.3		5.7		17.4		14.2
Operating and maintenance expenses	110.5		120.2		344.3		350.7
Voluntary separation program	_		_		_		9.2
Depreciation and amortization	46.9		45.4		138.6		147.0
General taxes	41.9		41.6		113.0		108.9
Other	 _		_		_		1.3
Total	 330.2		337.1		934.8		947.0
Operating income	177.8		169.2		309.3		273.5
Non-operating income	1.0		8.0		2.3		1.8
Non-operating expenses	(1.3)		(1.0)		(4.7)		(3.4)
Interest charges	(32.4)		(30.8)		(96.1)		(81.2)
Income before income tax expense	145.1		138.2		210.8		190.7
Income tax expense	(54.9)		(52.8)		(74.6)		(67.9)
Net income	\$ 90.2	\$	85.4	\$	136.2	\$	122.8
Comprehensive Income							
Net income	\$ 90.2	\$	85.4	\$	136.2	\$	122.8
Other comprehensive income							
Derivative hedging activity							
Gain (loss) on derivative hedging instruments	0.1		(0.1)		(0.1)		(0.2)
Income tax (expense) benefit	(0.1)		0.1		_		0.1
Net loss on derivative hedging instruments	_		_		(0.1)		(0.1)
Reclassification to expenses, net of tax	1.7		1.3		4.4		4.0
Derivative hedging activity, net of tax	1.7		1.3		4.3		3.9
Total other comprehensive income	1.7		1.3		4.3		3.9
Comprehensive income	\$ 91.9	\$	86.7	\$	140.5	\$	126.7

# **Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows**

(Unaudited)

Year to Date September 30		2012		2011	
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		(milli	(millions)		
Net income	\$	136.2	\$	122.8	
Adjustments to reconcile income to net cash from operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization		138.6		147.0	
Amortization of:					
Nuclear fuel		16.9		13.5	
Other		23.1		22.3	
Deferred income taxes, net		47.4		87.2	
Investment tax credit amortization		(1.4)		(1.0)	
Other operating activities (Note 2)		23.4		(74.3)	
Net cash from operating activities		384.2		317.5	
Cash Flows from Investing Activities					
Utility capital expenditures		(324.5)		(236.7)	
Allowance for borrowed funds used during construction		(2.3)		(1.6)	
Purchases of nuclear decommissioning trust investments		(20.4)		(15.5)	
Proceeds from nuclear decommissioning trust investments		17.9		13.0	
Net money pool lending		_		(18.8)	
Other investing activities		(8.2)		(9.3)	
Net cash from investing activities		(337.5)		(268.9)	
Cash Flows from Financing Activities					
Issuance of long-term debt		_		397.4	
Issuance fees		_		(3.7)	
Repayment of long-term debt		(12.7)		(113.1)	
Net change in short-term borrowings		29.0		(253.0)	
Net change in collateralized short-term borrowings		15.0		_	
Net money pool borrowings		(4.2)		(1.6)	
Dividends paid to Great Plains Energy		(73.0)		(75.0)	
Other		0.1		<u> </u>	
Net cash from financing activities		(45.8)		(49.0)	
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents		0.9		(0.4)	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year		1.9		3.6	
Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period	\$	2.8	\$	3.2	

# Consolidated Statements of Common Shareholder's Equity

(Unaudited)

Year to Date September 30		2012			2011			
	Shares	Amoun	t Shares		Amount			
		(millions	, except share amounts)					
Common Stock	1	\$ 1,563	<b>3.1</b> 1	\$	1,563.1			
Retained Earnings								
Beginning balance		513	3.8		478.3			
Net income		136	5.2		122.8			
Dividends:								
Common stock held by Great Plains Energy		(73	3.0)		(75.0)			
Ending balance		577	7.0		526.1			
Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)								
Beginning balance		(31	1.4)		(36.4)			
Derivative hedging activity, net of tax			1.3		3.9			
Ending balance		(27	7.1)		(32.5)			
Total Common Shareholder's Equity		\$ 2,113	3.0	\$	2,056.7			

# GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

#### **Notes to Unaudited Consolidated Financial Statements**

The notes to unaudited consolidated financial statements that follow are a combined presentation for Great Plains Energy Incorporated and Kansas City Power & Light Company, both registrants under this filing. The terms "Great Plains Energy," "Company," "KCP&L" and "Companies" are used throughout this report. "Great Plains Energy" and the "Company" refer to Great Plains Energy Incorporated and its consolidated subsidiaries, unless otherwise indicated. "KCP&L" refers to Kansas City Power & Light Company and its consolidated subsidiaries. "Companies" refers to Great Plains Energy Incorporated and its consolidated subsidiaries and KCP&L and its consolidated subsidiaries. The Companies' interim financial statements reflect all adjustments (which include normal, recurring adjustments) that are necessary, in the opinion of management, for a fair presentation of the results for the interim periods presented.

# 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Organization

Great Plains Energy, a Missouri corporation incorporated in 2001, is a public utility holding company and does not own or operate any significant assets other than the stock of its subsidiaries. Great Plains Energy's wholly owned direct subsidiaries with operations or active subsidiaries are as follows:

- KCP&L is an integrated, regulated electric utility that provides electricity to customers primarily in the states of Missouri and Kansas. KCP&L has one active wholly owned subsidiary, Kansas City Power & Light Receivables Company (KCP&L Receivables Company).
- KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company (GMO) is an integrated, regulated electric utility that primarily provides electricity to customers in the state of Missouri. GMO also provides regulated steam service to certain customers in the St. Joseph, Missouri area. GMO has two active wholly owned subsidiaries, GMO Receivables Company and MPS Merchant Services, Inc. (MPS Merchant). MPS Merchant has certain long-term natural gas contracts remaining from its former non-regulated trading operations.

Each of Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's consolidated financial statements includes the accounts of their subsidiaries. Intercompany transactions have been eliminated.

Great Plains Energy's sole reportable business segment is electric utility. See Note 16 for additional information.

## **Basic and Diluted Earnings per Common Share Calculation**

To determine basic EPS, preferred stock dividend requirements and net income attributable to noncontrolling interest are deducted from net income before dividing by the average number of common shares outstanding. The effect of dilutive securities, calculated using the treasury stock method, assumes the issuance of common shares applicable to performance shares, restricted stock, stock options and Equity Units.

The following table reconciles Great Plains Energy's basic and diluted EPS.

		Three Mo Septer	 	Year Septer	to Dat nber 3		
		2012	2011	2012		2011	
Income							
Net income	\$	146.4	\$ 126.6	\$ 195.2	\$	172.3	
Less: net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		0.2	0.1	_		_	
Less: preferred stock dividend requirements		0.4	0.4	1.2		1.2	
Earnings available for common shareholders	\$	145.8	\$ 126.1	\$ 194.0	\$	171.1	
Common Shares Outstanding							
Average number of common shares outstanding		153.2	135.7	142.9		135.6	
Add: effect of dilutive securities		0.2	2.6	2.1		2.9	
Diluted average number of common shares outstanding		153.4	138.3	145.0		138.5	
Basic EPS	\$	0.95	\$ 0.93	\$ 1.36	\$	1.26	
Diluted EPS	\$	0.95	\$ 0.91	\$ 1.34	\$	1.24	

Anti-dilutive shares excluded from the computation of diluted EPS are detailed in the following table.

	Three Mon Septeml		Year to Septem	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
Performance shares	192,723	102,032	209,000	102,032
Restricted stock shares	2,531	22,818	2,531	45,648
Stock options	_	80,140	_	80,140

## **Dividends Declared**

In November 2012, Great Plains Energy's Board of Directors (Board) declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.2175 per share on Great Plains Energy's common stock. The common dividend is payable December 20, 2012, to shareholders of record as of November 29, 2012. The Board also declared regular dividends on Great Plains Energy's preferred stock, payable March 1, 2013, to shareholders of record as of February 7, 2013.

In November 2012, KCP&L's Board of Directors declared a cash dividend payable to Great Plains Energy of \$23 million payable on December 19, 2012.

# 2. SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

# **Great Plains Energy Other Operating Activities**

Year to Date September 30	2012	2011		
Cash flows affected by changes in:	(mil	lions)		
Receivables	\$ 12.5	\$	(41.2)	
Accounts receivable pledged as collateral	(95.0)		_	
Fuel inventories	(5.4)		12.9	
Materials and supplies	(7.8)		(4.8)	
Accounts payable	(49.4)		(71.5)	
Accrued taxes	65.4		52.5	
Accrued interest	(16.6)		(6.1)	
Deferred refueling outage costs	13.4		(23.8)	
Fuel adjustment clauses	13.1		(27.3)	
Pension and post-retirement benefit obligations	21.9		22.0	
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	(0.3)		(0.3)	
Interest rate hedge settlements	_		(26.1)	
Iatan Nos. 1 and 2 impact of disallowed construction costs	_		2.3	
Uncertain tax positions	(4.4)		(20.2)	
Other	(14.2)		(22.7)	
Total other operating activities	\$ (66.8)	\$	(154.3)	
Cash paid during the period:				
Interest	\$ 185.4	\$	195.1	
Income taxes	\$ 3.3	\$	2.4	
Non-cash investing activities:				
Liabilities assumed for capital expenditures	\$ 52.2	\$	34.8	

# KCP&L Other Operating Activities

Year to Date September 30	2012	2011
Cash flows affected by changes in:	(n	illions)
Receivables	\$ (35.1)	\$ (39.5
Accounts receivable pledged as collateral	(15.0)	_
Fuel inventories	(6.2)	2.9
Materials and supplies	(6.1)	(4.3
Accounts payable	(18.0)	(43.2
Accrued taxes	76.5	40.3
Accrued interest	9.8	7.9
Deferred refueling outage costs	13.4	(23.8
Pension and post-retirement benefit obligations	24.7	32.1
Kansas Energy Cost Adjustment	(0.9)	(22.0
Iatan Nos. 1 and 2 impact of disallowed construction costs	_	1.5
Uncertain tax positions	1.2	(10.1
Other	(20.9)	(16.1
Total other operating activities	\$ 23.4	\$ (74.3
Cash paid during the period:		
Interest	\$ 77.3	\$ 74.6
Income taxes	\$ —	\$ 0.1
Non-cash investing activities:		
Liabilities assumed for capital expenditures	\$ 48.0	\$ 30.7

#### 3. RECEIVABLES

Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's receivables are detailed in the following table.

	-	nber 30 012	December 3 2011		
Great Plains Energy		(mill	ions)		
Customer accounts receivable - billed	\$	27.7	\$	69.8	
Customer accounts receivable - unbilled		77.8		82.4	
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(4.6)		(2.5)	
Other receivables		117.7		81.5	
Total	\$	218.6	\$	231.2	
KCP&L					
Customer accounts receivable - billed	\$	28.9	\$	16.4	
Customer accounts receivable - unbilled		50.8		50.0	
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(2.5)		(1.4)	
Intercompany receivables		26.9		38.7	
Other receivables		103.0		69.2	
Total	\$	207.1	\$	172.9	

Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's other receivables at September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, consisted primarily of receivables from partners in jointly owned electric utility plants and wholesale sales receivables.

## Sale of Accounts Receivable - KCP&L and GMO

KCP&L sells all of its retail electric accounts receivable to its wholly owned subsidiary, KCP&L Receivables Company, which in turn sells an undivided percentage ownership interest in the accounts receivable to Victory Receivables Corporation, an independent outside investor. On May 31, 2012, GMO entered into an agreement to sell all of its retail electric and steam service accounts receivable to its wholly owned subsidiary, GMO Receivables Company, which in turn sells an undivided percentage ownership interest in the accounts receivable to Victory Receivables Corporation.

Each of KCP&L Receivables Company's and GMO Receivables Company's sale of the undivided percentage ownership interest in accounts receivable to Victory Receivables Corporation is accounted for as a secured borrowing with accounts receivable pledged as collateral and a corresponding short-term collateralized note payable recognized on the balance sheets. At September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, Great Plains Energy's accounts receivable pledged as collateral and the corresponding short-term collateralized note payable was \$190.0 million and \$95.0 million, respectively. At September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, KCP&L's accounts receivable pledged as collateral and the corresponding short-term collateralized note payable was \$110.0 million and \$95.0 million, respectively.

KCP&L and GMO each sell their receivables at a fixed price based upon the expected cost of funds and charge-offs. These costs comprise KCP&L's and GMO's loss on the sale of accounts receivable. KCP&L and GMO service the receivables and receive annual servicing fees of 1.5% and 1.25%, respectively, of the outstanding principal amount of the receivables sold to KCP&L Receivables Company and GMO Receivables Company. KCP&L and GMO do not recognize a servicing asset or liability because management determined the collection agent fees earned by KCP&L and GMO approximate market value. KCP&L's agreement expires in September 2014 and allows for \$110 million in aggregate outstanding principal amount at any time. GMO's agreement expires in September 2014 and allows for \$80 million in aggregate outstanding principal during the period of November 1 through May 31 of each year.

Information regarding KCP&L's sale of accounts receivable to KCP&L Receivables Company and GMO's sale of accounts receivable to GMO Receivables Company is reflected in the following tables.

•				7	Three Mo	onths Ende	l Septe	mber 30, 201	12			
	·	KCP&L		CP&L ceivables ompany		solidated CP&L		GMO	GMO Receivables Company		Grea	olidated nt Plains nergy
•						(mill	ions)					
Receivables (sold) purchased	\$	(472.6)	\$	472.6	\$	_	\$	(341.7)	\$	341.7	\$	_
Gain (loss) on sale of accounts receivable (a)		(6.0)		5.8		(0.2)		(4.3)		3.4		(1.1)
Servicing fees received (paid)		0.8		(0.8)		_		0.5		(0.5)		_
Fees paid to outside investor		_		(0.3)		(0.3)		_		(0.3)		(0.6)
Cash from customers (transferred) received		(466.1)		466.1		_		(267.8)		267.8		_
Cash received from (paid for) receivables purchased		460.4		(460.4)		_		264.4		(264.4)		_
Interest on intercompany note received (paid)		0.2		(0.2)		_		0.1		(0.1)		_

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	K	CP&L	Re	eceivables				GMO	Re	ceivables	Grea	olidated it Plains nergy
						(milli	ons)					
Receivables (sold) purchased	\$	(1,134.7)	\$	1,134.7	\$	_	\$	(433.4)	\$	433.4	\$	_
Gain (loss) on sale of accounts receivable (a)		(14.4)		13.9		(0.5)		(5.5)		4.2		(1.8)
Servicing fees received (paid)		1.9		(1.9)		_		0.6		(0.6)		_
Fees paid to outside investor		_		(0.9)		(0.9)		_		(0.4)		(1.3)
Cash from customers (transferred) received		(1,112.7)		1,112.7		_		(332.5)		332.5		_
Cash received from (paid for) receivables purchased		1,098.8		(1,098.8)		_		328.3		(328.3)		_
Interest on intercompany note received (paid)		0.3		(0.3)		_		0.1		(0.1)		_

		Three Mo	nths En	ded Septemb	er 30, 20	11		Year t	o Date	September 3	0, 2011	
	ŀ	KCP&L		CP&L ceivables ompany		solidated CP&L		KCP&L	Re	KCP&L eceivables Company		solidated CP&L
						(milli	ons)					
Receivables (sold) purchased	\$	(468.8)	\$	468.8	\$	_	\$	(1,108.4)	\$	1,108.4	\$	_
Gain (loss) on sale of accounts receivable (a)		(5.9)		5.8		(0.1)		(14.0)		13.6		(0.4)
Servicing fees received (paid)		0.9		(0.9)		_		2.0		(2.0)		_
Fees paid to outside investor		_		(0.3)		(0.3)		_		(0.9)		(0.9)
Cash from customers (transferred) received		(463.4)		463.4		_		(1,081.6)		1,081.6		_
Cash received from (paid for) receivables												
purchased		457.6		(457.6)		_	1,068.0			(1,068.0)		_
Interest on intercompany note received (paid)		0.2		(0.2)		_		0.4		(0.4)		_

<sup>(</sup>a) Any net gain (loss) is the result of the timing difference inherent in collecting receivables and over the life of the agreement will net to zero.

#### 4. NUCLEAR PLANT

KCP&L owns 47% of Wolf Creek Generating Station (Wolf Creek), its only nuclear generating unit. Wolf Creek is located in Coffey County, Kansas, just northeast of Burlington, Kansas. Wolf Creek's operating license expires in 2045. Wolf Creek is regulated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), with respect to licensing, operations and safety-related requirements.

### Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste

Under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, the Department of Energy (DOE) is responsible for the permanent disposal of spent nuclear fuel. KCP&L pays the DOE a quarterly fee of one-tenth of a cent for each kWh of net nuclear generation delivered and sold for the future disposal of spent nuclear fuel. These disposal costs are charged to fuel expense. In 2010, the DOE filed a motion with the NRC to withdraw its then pending application to the NRC to construct a national repository for the disposal of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste at Yucca Mountain, Nevada. An NRC board denied the DOE's motion to withdraw its application, and the DOE appealed that decision to the full NRC. In 2011, the NRC issued an evenly split decision on the appeal and also ordered the licensing board to close out its work on the DOE's application by the end of September 2011 due to a lack of funding. These agency actions prompted the states of Washington and South Carolina, and a county in South Carolina, to file a lawsuit in a federal Court of Appeals asking the court to compel the NRC to resume its license review and to issue a decision on the license application. The court has not yet issued a final decision in the case, but in August 2012, the court ordered the parties to report to it, no later than December 14, 2012, on whether Congress by then had provided funding for the NRC to proceed on the license application. Wolf Creek has an on-site storage facility designed to hold all spent fuel generated at the plant through 2025, and believes it will be able to expand on-site storage as needed past 2025. Management cannot predict when, or if, an alternative disposal site will be available to receive Wolf Creek's spent nuclear fuel and will continue to monitor this activity. See Note 11 for a related legal proceeding.

#### Low-Level Radioactive Waste

Wolf Creek disposes of most of its low-level radioactive waste (Class A waste) at an existing third-party repository in Utah. Management expects that the site located in Utah will remain available to Wolf Creek for disposal of its Class A waste. Wolf Creek has contracted with a waste processor that will process, take title and store in another state most of the remainder of Wolf Creek's low-level radioactive waste (Classes B and C waste, which is higher in radioactivity but much lower in volume). Should on-site waste storage be needed in the future, Wolf Creek has current storage capacity on site for about four years' generation of Classes B and C waste and believes it will be able to expand that storage capacity as needed if it becomes necessary to do so.

## **Nuclear Decommissioning Trust Fund**

The following table summarizes the change in Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's nuclear decommissioning trust fund.

	Septemb 2012		December 31 2011						
Decommissioning Trust		(millions)							
Beginning balance January 1	\$ 13	35.3	\$ 129.2						
Contributions		2.5	3.4						
Earned income, net of fees		2.0	4.8						
Net realized gains		0.9	0.3						
Net unrealized gains (losses)		11.4							
Ending balance	\$ 1	52.1	\$ 135.3						

The nuclear decommissioning trust is reported at fair value on the balance sheets and is invested in assets as detailed in the following table.

	September 30 2012									December 31 2011									
	Cost Unrealized Unrealized Fair Basis Gains Losses Value						Cost Unrealized Unrealized Basis Gains Losses						Fair Value						
								(mil	lions)										
Equity securities	\$	79.5	\$	20.9	\$	(2.5)	\$	97.9	\$	76.5	\$	12.3	\$	(4.5)	\$	84.3			
Debt securities		45.9		5.2		_		51.1		44.2		4.5		(0.1)		48.6			
Other		3.1		_		_		3.1		2.4		_		_		2.4			
Total	\$	128.5	\$	26.1	\$	(2.5)	\$	152.1	\$	123.1	\$	16.8	\$	(4.6)	\$	135.3			

The weighted average maturity of debt securities held by the trust at September 30, 2012, was approximately 7 years. The costs of securities sold are determined on the basis of specific identification. The following table summarizes the realized gains and losses from the sale of securities in the nuclear decommissioning trust fund.

	Three Mo Septer	nths Er nber 30			Year t Septen		
	2012	2	011	2012			2011
			(mil	millions)			
Realized gains	\$ 0.5	\$	0.2	\$	1.2	\$	1.0
Realized losses	(0.1)		_		(0.3)		(0.7)

# 5. REGULATORY MATTERS

### **KCP&L Kansas Rate Case Proceedings**

On April 20, 2012, KCP&L filed an application with The State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (KCC) to request an increase to its retail revenues of \$63.6 million, with a return on equity of 10.4% and a rate-making equity ratio of 51.8%. In September 2012, KCP&L revised its requested return on equity to 10.3%. The request includes recovery of costs related to significant upgrades at its generating facilities, including environmental upgrades at the La Cygne Station; investments in additional wind generation; and increased investments in electrical infrastructure. KCP&L is also requesting that KCC approve a change to depreciation rates to reflect the increase in plant in service as well as a change to the current method of allocating costs between its Kansas and Missouri jurisdictions to better reflect KCP&L's summer peaking business. Testimony from KCC staff and other parties regarding the case was filed on August 22, 2012. The KCC staff's testimony recommended a return on equity of 9.2% and a revenue increase of approximately \$27.5 million.

In October 2012, KCP&L adjusted its requested increase to retail revenues to \$56.4 million as the net result of updates to the case, which includes a non-unanimous stipulation and agreement filed in September 2012 by KCP&L and KCC staff to settle a number of issues in the case. The stipulation and agreement is pending KCC approval. The outcome of the KCP&L Kansas rate case will likely be different than either of the positions of KCP&L or KCC staff. The decision of the KCC cannot be predicted. The increase to retail revenues is anticipated to be effective in January 2013.

# **KCP&L Missouri Rate Case Proceedings**

On February 27, 2012, KCP&L filed an application with the Public Service Commission of the State of Missouri (MPSC) to request an increase to its retail revenues of \$105.7 million, with a return on equity of 10.4% and a rate-making equity ratio of 52.5%. In September 2012, KCP&L revised its requested return on equity to 10.3%. The request includes recovery of costs related to improving and maintaining infrastructure to continue to be able to provide reliable electric service and also includes a lower annual offset to the revenue requirement for the Missouri jurisdictional portion of KCP&L's annual non-firm wholesale electric sales margin (wholesale margin offset). KCP&L currently expects that it will not be able to achieve the \$45.9 million wholesale margin offset currently reflected in its retail rates due to transmission congestion, regional demand and low wholesale power prices.

Testimony from MPSC staff and other parties regarding the case was filed on August 2, 2012. The MPSC staff's testimony recommended a return on equity range of 8.0% to 9.0% and a revenue increase range of approximately \$16.5 million to \$33.7 million.

In November 2012, the MPSC issued an order approving multiple stipulation and agreements to settle a number of the issues in the case. An order on the remaining issues in the case is anticipated to be received to accommodate the increase to retail revenues to be effective in late January 2013. The final outcome of the KCP&L Missouri rate case will likely be different than either of the positions of KCP&L or MPSC staff. The final decision of the MPSC cannot be predicted.

In a March 2011 order, the MPSC required KCP&L and GMO to apply to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to reallocate approximately \$26.5 million of Iatan No. 2 qualifying advance coal project tax credits from KCP&L to GMO. KCP&L and GMO did apply to the IRS but in September 2011, the IRS denied KCP&L's and GMO's request. In November 2012, the MPSC issued an order that does not require a reallocation of Iatan No. 2 qualifying advance coal project tax credits from KCP&L to GMO.

# **GMO Missouri Rate Case Proceedings**

On February 27, 2012, GMO filed an application with the MPSC to request an increase to its retail revenues of \$58.3 million for its Missouri Public Service division and \$25.2 million for its St. Joseph Light & Power (L&P) division, with a return on equity of 10.4% and a rate-making equity ratio of 52.5%. In September 2012, GMO revised its requested return on equity to 10.3% for both its Missouri Public Service and L&P divisions. The requests include recovery of costs related to improving and maintaining infrastructure to continue to be able to provide reliable electric service, costs related to energy efficiency and demand side management programs, and increased fuel costs. Testimony from MPSC staff and other parties regarding the case was filed on August 9, 2012. The MPSC staff's testimony recommended a return on equity range of 8.0% to 9.0%, with a revenue increase of \$0.4 million to \$11.9 million for GMO's Missouri Public Service division and \$0.7 million to \$4.6 million for its L&P division.

In November 2012, the MPSC issued an order approving multiple stipulation and agreements to settle a number of the issues in the case. An order on the remaining issues in the case is anticipated to be received to accommodate the increase to retail revenues to be effective in late January 2013. The final outcome of the GMO Missouri rate case will likely be different than either of the positions of GMO or MPSC staff. The final decision of the MPSC cannot be predicted.

In December 2011, GMO filed a request with the MPSC seeking to recover costs for new and enhanced energy efficiency and demand side management programs under the Missouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act (MEEIA). In November 2012, the MPSC issued an order approving a stipulation and agreement to settle all of the issues in the MEEIA request.

# GMO Fuel Adjustment Clause (FAC) Prudence Review

GMO's electric retail rates contain an FAC tariff under which 95% of the difference between actual fuel cost, purchased power costs and off-system sales margin and the amount provided in base rates for these costs is passed along to GMO's customers. The MPSC requires prudence reviews of the FAC no less frequently than at 18-month intervals. On November 28, 2011, the MPSC staff filed its prudence review report for the 18-month prudence review period covering June 1, 2009 through November 30, 2010. The MPSC staff recommended to the MPSC to order GMO to refund approximately \$19 million, plus interest, (subsequently revised to \$14.9 million) to customers through an adjustment to its FAC because the MPSC staff asserted that GMO was imprudent in its use of natural gas hedges to mitigate risk associated with its future purchases in the spot power market. On September 4, 2012, the MPSC issued an order denying the MPSC staff's request for refund and the time frame for appeal of the MPSC order has passed.

# **SPP and NERC Inquiries**

The Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP) conducted a compliance inquiry regarding a transmission system outage that occurred in the St. Joseph, Missouri area in the summer of 2009. The North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) also investigated the circumstances surrounding this transmission system outage. GMO was assessed an immaterial penalty in 2012 resolving this matter.

## 6. PENSION PLANS AND OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Great Plains Energy maintains defined benefit pension plans for substantially all active and inactive employees, including officers, of KCP&L, GMO and Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation (WCNOC) and incurs significant costs in providing the plans. Pension benefits under these plans reflect the employees' compensation, years of service and age at retirement. In addition to providing pension benefits, Great Plains Energy provides certain post-retirement health care and life insurance benefits for substantially all retired employees of KCP&L, GMO and WCNOC.

KCP&L and GMO record pension and post-retirement expense in accordance with rate orders from the MPSC and KCC that allow the difference between pension and post-retirement costs under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and costs for ratemaking to be recognized as a regulatory asset or liability. This difference between financial and regulatory accounting methods is due to timing and will be eliminated over the life of the plans.

The following tables provide Great Plains Energy's components of net periodic benefit costs prior to the effects of capitalization and sharing with joint owners of power plants.

		Pens	on Ben	efits	Other Benefits			
Three Months Ended September 30		2012		2011		2012		2011
Components of net periodic benefit costs				(mil	llions)			
Service cost	\$	8.9	\$	7.8	\$	8.0	\$	0.7
Interest cost		12.2		12.4		1.9		2.0
Expected return on plan assets		(10.7	")	(9.5)		(0.4)		(0.4)
Prior service cost		1.1		1.1		1.8		1.8
Recognized net actuarial (gain) loss		11.1		9.7		_		(0.1)
Transition obligation		_		_		0.3		0.3
Settlement charge		_	-	10.0		_		_
Net periodic benefit costs before regulatory adjustment	_	22.6	i	31.5		4.4		4.3
Regulatory adjustment		(3.9	)	(12.8)		0.3		0.4
Net periodic benefit costs	\$	18.7	\$	18.7	\$	4.7	\$	4.7

		Pension Benefits				Other Benefits			
Year to Date September 30		2012		2011		2012		2011	
Components of net periodic benefit costs				(mil	lions)				
Service cost	\$	26.6	\$	23.4	\$	2.4	\$	2.3	
Interest cost		36.7		37.5		5.8		5.9	
Expected return on plan assets		(32.1)		(28.8)		(1.3)		(1.3)	
Prior service cost		3.3		3.4		5.4		5.4	
Recognized net actuarial (gain) loss		33.4		28.9		_		(0.4)	
Transition obligation		_		_		8.0		1.0	
Settlement charge		_		10.2		_		_	
Net periodic benefit costs before regulatory adjustment		67.9		74.6		13.1		12.9	
Regulatory adjustment		(11.6)		(25.1)		1.0		0.7	
Net periodic benefit costs	\$	56.3	\$	49.5	\$	14.1	\$	13.6	

## 7. EQUITY COMPENSATION

Great Plains Energy's Long-Term Incentive Plan is an equity compensation plan approved by Great Plains Energy's shareholders. The Long-Term Incentive Plan permits the grant of restricted stock, restricted stock units, bonus shares, stock options, stock appreciation rights, limited stock appreciation rights, director shares, director deferred share units and performance shares to directors, officers and other employees of Great Plains Energy and KCP&L. Forfeiture rates are based on historical forfeitures and future expectations and are reevaluated annually.

The following table summarizes Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's equity compensation expense and the associated income tax benefit.

	7	Three Months Ended Year to Date September 30 September 30						
	2	2012	2	2011	2	2012		2011
Great Plains Energy				(mil	lions)			
Compensation expense	\$	1.2	\$	1.2	\$	4.0	\$	4.5
Income tax benefit		0.4		0.4		1.7		1.8
KCP&L								
Compensation expense	\$	0.8	\$	0.8	\$	2.9	\$	3.1
Income tax benefit		0.3		0.2		1.3		1.2

#### **Performance Shares**

Performance share activity year to date September 30, 2012, is summarized in the following table. Performance adjustment represents the number of shares of common stock related to performance shares ultimately issued that can vary from the number of performance shares initially granted depending on Great Plains Energy's performance over a stated period of time.

	Performance Shares	Grant Date Fair Value*
Beginning balance	442,042	\$ 21.06
Granted	164,158	19.02
Forfeited	(74,923)	20.06
Performance adjustment	(160,717)	
Ending balance	370,560	22.97

<sup>\*</sup> weighted-average

At September 30, 2012, the remaining weighted-average contractual term was 1.2 years. The weighted-average grant-date fair value of shares granted for the three months ended and year to date September 30, 2012, was \$18.12 and \$19.02, respectively. The weighted-average grant-date fair value of shares granted for the three months ended and year to date September 30, 2011, was \$26.30 and \$26.15, respectively. At September 30, 2012, there was \$3.0 million of total unrecognized compensation expense, net of forfeiture rates, related to performance shares granted under the Long-Term Incentive Plan, which will be recognized over the remaining weighted-average contractual term. There were no performance shares earned and paid for the three months ended and year to date September 30, 2012. There were no performance shares earned and paid for the three months ended September 30, 2011. The total fair value of performance shares earned and paid year to date September 30, 2011, was \$0.8 million.

The fair value of performance share awards is estimated using a Monte Carlo simulation technique that uses the closing stock price at the valuation date and incorporates assumptions for inputs of expected volatilities, dividend yield and risk-free rates. Expected volatility is based on daily stock price change during a historical period commensurate with the remaining term of the performance period of the grant. The risk-free rate is based upon the rate at the time of the evaluation for zero-coupon government bonds with a maturity consistent with the remaining performance period of the grant. The dividend yield is based on the most recent dividends paid and the actual closing stock price on the valuation date. For shares granted in 2012, inputs for expected volatility, dividend yield and risk-free rates were 21%, 4.32% and 0.40%, respectively.

#### **Restricted Stock**

Restricted stock activity year to date September 30, 2012, is summarized in the following table.

	Nonvested Restricted Stock	nnt Date r Value*
Beginning balance	386,183	\$ 17.06
Granted and issued	164,660	19.73
Vested	(206,838)	15.78
Forfeited	(67,816)	19.49
Ending balance	276,189	19.01

<sup>\*</sup> weighted-average

At September 30, 2012, the remaining weighted-average contractual term was 1.8 years. The weighted-average grant-date fair value of shares granted for the three months ended and year to date September 30, 2012, was \$22.18 and \$19.73, respectively. The weighted-average grant-date fair value of shares granted for the three months ended and year to date September 30, 2011, was \$17.89 and \$19.03, respectively. At September 30, 2012, there was \$2.9 million of total unrecognized compensation expense, net of forfeiture rates, related to nonvested restricted stock granted under the Long-Term Incentive Plan, which will be recognized over the remaining weighted-average contractual term. The total fair value of shares vested for the three months ended and year to date September 30, 2012, was insignificant and \$3.3 million, respectively. There were no shares vested for the three months ended September 30, 2011. The total fair value of shares vested year to date September 30, 2011, was \$2.6 million.

#### 8. SHORT-TERM BORROWINGS AND SHORT-TERM BANK LINES OF CREDIT

# Great Plains Energy's \$200 Million Revolving Credit Facility

Great Plains Energy's \$200 million revolving credit facility with a group of banks expires in December 2016. The facility's terms permit transfers of unused commitments between this facility and the KCP&L and GMO facilities discussed below, with the total amount of the facility not exceeding \$400 million at any one time. A default by Great Plains Energy or any of its significant subsidiaries on other indebtedness totaling more than \$50.0 million is a default under the facility. Under the terms of this facility, Great Plains Energy is required to maintain a consolidated indebtedness to consolidated capitalization ratio, as defined in the facility, not greater than 0.65 to 1.00 at all times. At September 30, 2012, Great Plains Energy was in compliance with this covenant. At September 30, 2012, Great Plains Energy had \$31.0 million of outstanding cash borrowings at a weighted-average interest rate of 2.00% and had issued letters of credit totaling \$1.8 million under the credit facility. At December 31, 2011, Great Plains Energy had \$22.0 million of outstanding cash borrowings at a weighted-average interest rate of 2.06% and had issued letters of credit totaling \$11.6 million under the credit facility.

# KCP&L's \$600 Million Revolving Credit Facility and Commercial Paper

KCP&L's \$600 million revolving credit facility with a group of banks provides support for its issuance of commercial paper and other general corporate purposes and expires in December 2016. Great Plains Energy and KCP&L may transfer up to \$200 million of unused commitments between Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's facilities. A default by KCP&L on other indebtedness totaling more than \$50.0 million is a default under the facility. Under the terms of this facility, KCP&L is required to maintain a consolidated indebtedness to consolidated capitalization ratio, as defined in the facility, not greater than 0.65 to 1.00 at all times. At September 30, 2012, KCP&L was in compliance with this covenant. At September 30, 2012, KCP&L had \$256.0

million of commercial paper outstanding at a weighted-average interest rate of 0.49%, had issued letters of credit totaling \$13.9 million and had no outstanding cash borrowings under the credit facility. At December 31, 2011, KCP&L had \$227.0 million of commercial paper outstanding at a weighted-average interest rate of 0.50%, had issued letters of credit totaling \$21.5 million and had no outstanding cash borrowings under the credit facility.

# GMO's \$450 Million Revolving Credit Facility and Commercial Paper

GMO's \$450 million revolving credit facility with a group of banks provides support for its issuance of commercial paper and other general corporate purposes and expires in December 2016. Great Plains Energy and GMO may transfer up to \$200 million of unused commitments between Great Plains Energy's and GMO's facilities. A default by GMO, Great Plains Energy or any of its significant subsidiaries on other indebtedness totaling more than \$50.0 million is a default under the facility. Under the terms of this facility, GMO is required to maintain a consolidated indebtedness to consolidated capitalization ratio, as defined in the facility, not greater than 0.65 to 1.00 at all times. At September 30, 2012, GMO was in compliance with this covenant. At September 30, 2012, GMO had \$171.0 million of commercial paper outstanding at a weighted-average interest rate of 0.94%, had issued letters of credit totaling \$15.1 million and had no outstanding cash borrowings under the credit facility. At December 31, 2011, GMO had \$40.0 million of commercial paper outstanding at a weighted-average interest rate of 0.88%, had issued letters of credit totaling \$13.2 million and had no outstanding cash borrowings under the credit facility.

# 9. LONG-TERM DEBT

Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's long-term debt is detailed in the following table.

	Year Due	September 30 2012	December 31 2011		
KCP&L		(mi	llions)		
General Mortgage Bonds		/			
4.97% EIRR bonds <sup>(a)</sup>	2015-2035	\$ 106.9	\$ 119.3		
7.15% Series 2009A (8.59% rate) <sup>(b)</sup>	2019	400.0	400.0		
4.65% EIRR Series 2005	2035	50.0	50.0		
5.375% EIRR Series 2007B	2035	73.2	73.2		
Senior Notes					
5.85% Series (5.72% rate) <sup>(b)</sup>	2017	250.0	250.0		
6.375% Series (7.49% rate) <sup>(b)</sup>	2018	350.0	350.0		
6.05% Series (5.78% rate) <sup>(b)</sup>	2035	250.0	250.0		
5.30% Series	2041	400.0	400.0		
EIRR bonds 4.90% Series 2008	2038	23.4	23.4		
Other	2013-2018	2.6	2.9		
Current maturities		(0.4)	(12.7)		
Unamortized discount		(4.1)	(4.2)		
Total KCP&L excluding current maturities <sup>(c)</sup>		1,901.6	1,901.9		
Other Great Plains Energy					
GMO First Mortgage Bonds 9.44% Series	2013-2021	10.1	11.2		
GMO Pollution Control Bonds					
5.85% SJLP Pollution Control	2013	5.6	5.6		
0.318% Wamego Series 1996 <sup>(d)</sup>	2026	7.3	7.3		
0.316% State Environmental 1993 <sup>(d)</sup>	2028	5.0	5.0		
GMO Senior Notes					
11.875% Series	2012	_	500.0		
8.27% Series	2021	80.9	80.9		
Fair Value Adjustment		_	16.3		
GMO Medium Term Notes					
7.16% Series	2013	6.0	6.0		
7.33% Series	2023	3.0	3.0		
7.17% Series	2023	7.0	7.0		
Great Plains Energy 2.75% Senior Notes (3.67% rate) <sup>(b)</sup>	2013	250.0	250.0		
Great Plains Energy 6.875% Senior Notes (7.33% rate) <sup>(b)</sup>	2017	100.0	100.0		
Great Plains Energy 4.85% Senior Notes (7.34% rate) <sup>(b)</sup>	2021	350.0	350.0		
Great Plains Energy 5.292% Senior Notes	2022	287.5	_		
Great Plains Energy 10.00% Equity Units Subordinated Notes		_	287.5		
Current maturities		(256.7)	(788.7)		
Unamortized discount and premium, net		5.6	(0.7)		
Total Great Plains Energy excluding current maturities <sup>(c)</sup>		\$ 2,762.9	\$ 2,742.3		

Weighted-average interest rates at September 30, 2012

Rate after amortizing gains/losses recognized in OCI on settlements of interest rate hedging instruments
Does not include \$39.5 million EIRR Series 1993B, \$63.3 million EIRR Series 2007 A-1 and \$10.0 million EIRR Series 2007 A-2 bonds because the bonds have been repurchased and are held by KCP&L

Variable rate

# Fair Value of Long-Term Debt

The fair value of long-term debt is categorized as a Level 2 liability within the fair value hierarchy as it is based on quoted market prices, with the incremental borrowing rate for similar debt used to determine fair value if quoted market prices are not available. At September 30, 2012, the book value and fair value of Great Plains Energy's long-term debt, including current maturities, were \$3.0 billion and \$3.5 billion, respectively. At December 31, 2011, the book value and fair value of Great Plains Energy's long-term debt, including current maturities, were \$3.5 billion and \$3.9 billion, respectively. At September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, the book value and fair value of KCP&L's long-term debt, including current maturities, were \$1.9 billion and \$2.2 billion, respectively.

#### **GMO Senior Notes**

GMO repaid its \$500 million 11.875% Senior Notes at maturity in July 2012.

# **Great Plains Energy Equity Units**

In May 2009, Great Plains Energy issued \$287.5 million of Equity Units. Equity Units, each with a stated amount of \$50, initially consisted of a 5% undivided beneficial interest in \$1,000 principal amount of 10.00% subordinated notes due June 15, 2042, and a purchase contract requiring the holder to purchase the Company's common stock by June 15, 2012 (the settlement date).

In March 2012, Great Plains Energy remarketed \$287.4 million of its 10% subordinated notes that were originally issued as components of the Equity Units as senior notes at a new interest rate of 5.292%. The 5.292% Senior Notes mature in June 2022. Great Plains Energy did not receive any proceeds from the remarketing. Proceeds from the remarketing were used to purchase a portfolio of U.S. Treasury securities that were pledged as collateral to secure the Equity Unit holders' obligation under the purchase contract. There were also \$0.1 million of purchase contracts that settled early and did not participate in the remarketing.

In June 2012, Great Plains Energy settled the obligations under the purchase contracts underlying its 5.7 million outstanding Equity Units by issuing approximately 17.1 million shares of its common stock in exchange for \$287.4 million, which had been raised through the remarketing completed in March 2012. The settlement rate of 2.9762 shares of common stock for each Equity Unit was determined according to the applicable market value of the Company's common stock at the settlement date. The applicable market value of \$20.05 was measured by the average of the closing price per share of the Company's common stock on each of the 20 consecutive trading days ending on the third trading day immediately preceding June 15, 2012.

## 10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### **Environmental Matters**

Great Plains Energy and KCP&L are subject to extensive federal, state and local environmental laws, regulations and permit requirements relating to air and water quality, waste management and disposal, natural resources and health and safety. In addition to imposing continuing compliance obligations and remediation costs, these laws, regulations and permits authorize the imposition of substantial penalties for noncompliance, including fines, injunctive relief and other sanctions. The cost of complying with current and future environmental requirements is expected to be material to Great Plains Energy and KCP&L. Failure to comply with environmental requirements or to timely recover environmental costs through rates could have a material effect on Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's results of operations, financial position and cash flows.

The following discussion groups environmental and certain associated matters into the broad categories of air and climate change, water, solid waste and remediation.

# Air and Climate Change Overview

The Clean Air Act and associated regulations enacted by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) form a comprehensive program to preserve air quality. States are required to establish regulations and programs to address all requirements of the Clean Air Act and have the flexibility to enact more stringent requirements. All of Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's generating facilities, and certain of their other facilities, are subject to the Clean Air Act.

Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's current estimate of capital expenditures (exclusive of Allowance for Funds Used During Construction (AFUDC) and property taxes) to comply with the currently-effective Clean Air Interstate Rule (CAIR), the replacement to CAIR or the Cross-State Air Pollution Rule (CSAPR), the best available retrofit technology (BART) rule, the SO<sub>2</sub> National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS), the industrial boiler rule and the Mercury and Air Toxics Standards (MATS) rule that would reduce emissions of toxic air pollutants, (all of which are discussed below) is approximately \$1 billion. The actual cost of compliance with any existing, proposed or future rules may be significantly different from the cost estimate provided.

The approximate \$1 billion current estimate of capital expenditures reflects the following capital projects:

- KCP&L's La Cygne No. 1 scrubber and baghouse installed by June 2015;
- KCP&L's La Cygne No. 2 full air quality control system (AQCS) installed by June 2015;
- KCP&L's Montrose No. 3 full AQCS installed by approximately 2020; and
- GMO's Sibley No. 3 scrubber and baghouse installed by approximately 2017.

In September 2011, KCP&L commenced construction of the La Cygne project. Other capital projects at KCP&L's Montrose Nos. 1 and 2 and GMO's Sibley Nos. 1 and 2 and Lake Road No. 4/6 are possible but are currently considered less likely. In connection with KCP&L's and GMO's Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) filings with the MPSC in April 2012, the economics around Montrose No. 2 and Lake Road No. 4/6 have improved. Pending further evaluation, these projects may move from less likely to more likely but it is not expected to materially impact the overall \$1 billion current estimate of capital expenditures. Any capacity and energy requirements resulting from a decision not to proceed with these less likely projects is currently expected to be met through renewable energy additions required under Missouri and Kansas renewable energy standards, demand side management programs, construction of combustion turbines and/or combined cycle units, and/or power purchase agreements.

The \$1 billion current estimate of capital expenditures does not reflect the non-capital costs the Companies incur on an ongoing basis to comply with environmental laws, which may increase in the future due to current or future environmental laws. The Companies expect to seek recovery of the costs associated with environmental requirements through rate increases; however, there can be no assurance that such rate increases would be granted. The Companies may be subject to materially adverse rate treatment in response to competitive, economic, political, legislative or regulatory pressures and/or public perception of the Companies' environmental reputation.

## Clean Air Interstate Rule (CAIR) and Cross-State Air Pollution Rule (CSAPR)

The CAIR requires reductions in  $SO_2$  and  $NO_x$  emissions in 28 states, including Missouri. The reductions in  $SO_2$  and  $NO_x$  emissions are accomplished through statewide caps for  $NO_x$  and  $SO_2$ . Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's fossil fuel-fired plants located in Missouri are subject to CAIR, while their fossil fuel-fired plants in Kansas are not.

In July 2008, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit (D.C. Circuit Court) vacated CAIR in its entirety and remanded the matter to the EPA to promulgate a new rule consistent with its opinion. In December 2008, the court issued an order reinstating CAIR pending EPA's development of a replacement regulation on remand. In July 2011, the EPA finalized the CSAPR to replace the currently-effective CAIR. Compliance with the CSAPR was scheduled to begin in 2012. Multiple states, utilities and other parties, including KCP&L, filed requests for reconsideration and stays with the EPA and/or the D.C. Circuit Court. In August 2012, the D.C. Circuit Court issued its opinion in which it vacated the CSAPR and remanded the rule to the EPA to revise in accordance with its opinion. The court directed the EPA to continue to administer the CAIR until a valid replacement is promulgated. The EPA and other parties have requested rehearing of this decision by the D.C. Circuit Court.

The CSAPR requires the states within its scope to reduce power plant  $SO_2$  and  $NO_x$  emissions that contribute to ozone and fine particle nonattainment in other states. The geographical scope of the CSAPR includes Kansas, Missouri and other states. In the CSAPR, the EPA set an emissions budget for each of the

affected states. The CSAPR allows limited interstate emissions allowance trading among power plants; however, it does not permit trading of  $SO_2$  allowances between the Companies' Kansas and Missouri power plants. There are additional reductions in  $SO_2$  allowances allocable to the Companies' Missouri power plants taking effect in 2014. There is no such 2014 additional reduction in  $SO_2$  allowances allocable to the Companies' Kansas power plants.

# Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) Rule

The EPA BART rule directs state air quality agencies to identify whether visibility-reducing emissions from sources subject to BART are below limits set by the state or whether retrofit measures are needed to reduce emissions. BART applies to specific eligible facilities including KCP&L's La Cygne Nos. 1 and 2 in Kansas, KCP&L's Iatan No. 1, in which GMO has an 18% interest, and KCP&L's Montrose No. 3 in Missouri, GMO's Sibley Unit No. 3 and Lake Road Unit No. 6 in Missouri and Westar Energy, Inc.'s (Westar) Jeffrey Unit Nos. 1 and 2 in Kansas, in which GMO has an 8% interest. Both Missouri and Kansas have submitted BART plans to the EPA. In December 2011, the EPA approved the Kansas BART plan.

In May 2012, the EPA finalized a rule that approves the CSAPR as an alternative to BART. As a result, states in the CSAPR will be able to substitute participation in the CSAPR for source-specific BART. In addition, the EPA finalized a limited disapproval of the BART plan that had been submitted by Missouri because it relied on requirements of the CAIR to satisfy certain regional haze requirements. To address deficiencies in a CAIR-dependent BART plan, the EPA promulgated a Federal Implementation Plan (FIP) to replace reliance on CAIR with reliance on the CSAPR in the BART plan for Missouri. In June 2012, the EPA finalized a limited approval of the Missouri BART plan that does not include the FIP-approved component of the BART plan.

# Mercury and Air Toxics Standards (MATS) Rule

In January 2009, the EPA issued a memorandum stating that new electric steam generating units (EGUs) that began construction while the Clean Air Mercury Rule (CAMR) was in effect are subject to a new source maximum achievable control technology (MACT) determination on a case-by-case basis. In July 2009, the EPA sent a letter notifying KCP&L that a MACT determination and schedule of compliance is required for coal and oil-fired EGUs that began actual construction or reconstruction after December 15, 2000, and identified Iatan No. 2 as an affected EGU. This was an outcome of the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals' vacatur of both the CAMR and the contemporaneously promulgated rule removing EGUs from MACT requirements. It is not currently known how the MACT determination and schedule of compliance will impact the permitting or operating requirements for Iatan No. 2, but it is possible a MACT determination may ultimately require additional emission control equipment and permit limits.

In December 2011, the EPA finalized the MATS Rule that will reduce emissions of toxic air pollutants, also known as hazardous air pollutants, from new and existing coal- and oil-fired EGUs with a capacity of greater than 25 MWs. The rule establishes numerical emission limits for mercury, particulate matter (a surrogate for non-mercury metals), and hydrochloric acid (a surrogate for acid gases). The rule establishes work practices, instead of numerical emission limits, for organic air toxics, including dioxin/furan. Compliance with the rule would need to be achieved by installing additional emission control equipment, changes in plant operation, purchasing additional power in the wholesale market or a combination of these and other alternatives. The rule allows three years for compliance with authority for state permitting authorities to grant an additional year as needed for technology installation. The EPA indicated that it expects this option to be broadly available. The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) has granted an extension at KCP&L's Montrose Station and at GMO's Lake Road and Sibley Stations. The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) has granted an extension at KCP&L's La Cygne Station.

#### **Industrial Boiler Rule**

In February 2011, the EPA issued a final rule that would reduce emissions of hazardous air pollutants from new and existing industrial boilers. In May 2011, the EPA announced it would stay the effective date of the final rule during reconsideration; although in January 2012, the D.C. Circuit Court vacated the stay and remanded the stay to the EPA. The EPA issued a proposed revised rule in December 2011 and intends to issue a final rule in 2012. The proposed revised rule establishes numeric emission limits for mercury, particulate matter (as a surrogate for non-mercury metals), hydrogen chloride (as a surrogate for acid gases) and carbon monoxide (as a surrogate for non-dioxin organic hazardous air pollutants). The final rule establishes emission limits for KCP&L's and GMO's existing units that produce steam other than for the generation of electricity. The existing boiler rule and its proposed revisions do not apply to KCP&L's and GMO's electricity generating boilers, but would apply to most of GMO's Lake Road boilers, which also serve steam customers, and to auxiliary boilers at other generating facilities.

## **New Source Review**

The Clean Air Act's New Source Review program requires companies to obtain permits and, if necessary, install control equipment to reduce emissions when making a major modification or a change in operation if either is expected to cause a significant net increase in regulated emissions.

In 2010, Westar settled a lawsuit filed by the Department of Justice on behalf of the EPA. The lawsuit asserted that certain projects completed at the Jeffrey Energy Center violated certain requirements of the New Source Review program. The Jeffrey Energy Center is 92% owned by Westar and operated exclusively by Westar. GMO has an 8% interest in the Jeffrey Energy Center and is generally responsible for its 8% share of the facility's operating costs and capital expenditures. The settlement agreement required, among other things, the installation of a selective catalytic reduction (SCR) system at one of the three Jeffrey Energy Center units by the end of 2014. Westar has estimated the cost of this SCR at approximately \$240 million. Depending on the NO<sub>x</sub> emission reductions attained by that SCR and attainable through the installation of other controls at the other two units, the settlement agreement may require the installation of a second SCR system on one of the other two units by the end of 2016. GMO expects to seek recovery of its share of these costs through rate increases; however, there can be no assurance that such rate increases would be granted.

KCP&L had received requests for information from the KDHE pertaining to a past La Cygne No. 1 scrubber project. In April 2012, KCP&L and KDHE agreed to resolve this matter with KCP&L completing supplemental environmental projects in the amount of \$800,000 and paying a penalty in the amount of \$350,000.

# **Collaboration Agreement**

In March 2007, KCP&L, the Sierra Club and the Concerned Citizens of Platte County entered into a Collaboration Agreement under which KCP&L agreed to pursue a set of initiatives designed to offset CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

KCP&L agreed in the Collaboration Agreement to pursue increasing its wind generation capacity by 400 MWs by the end of 2012. KCP&L and GMO have added 379 MWs of wind generation and have also added the equivalent CO<sub>2</sub> offset of 21 MWs of wind through solar, landfill gas and other projects that were not required under the Collaboration Agreement.

KCP&L has a consent agreement with the KDHE incorporating limits for stack particulate matter emissions, as well as limits for NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> emissions, at its La Cygne Station that, consistent with the Collaboration Agreement, will be below the presumptive limits under BART. KCP&L further agreed to use its best efforts to install emission control technologies to reduce those emissions from the La Cygne Station prior to the required compliance date under BART, but in no event later than June 1, 2015. In August 2011, KCC issued its order on KCP&L's predetermination request that would apply to the recovery of costs for its 50% share of the environmental equipment required to comply with BART at the La Cygne Station. In the order, KCC stated that KCP&L's decision to retrofit La Cygne was reasonable, reliable, efficient and

prudent and the \$1.23 billion cost estimate is reasonable. If the cost for the project is at or below the \$1.23 billion estimate, absent a showing of fraud or other intentional imprudence, KCC stated that it will not re-evaluate the prudency of the cost of the project. If the cost of the project exceeds the \$1.23 billion estimate and KCP&L seeks to recover amounts exceeding the estimate, KCP&L will bear the burden of proving that any additional costs were prudently incurred. KCP&L's 50% share of the estimated cost is \$615 million. KCP&L began the project in September 2011.

Also in the Collaboration Agreement, KCP&L agreed to offset an additional 711,000 tons of  $CO_2$  by the end of 2012, which it has done.

# Climate Change

The Companies are subject to existing greenhouse gas reporting regulations and certain greenhouse gas permitting requirements. Management believes it is possible that additional federal or relevant state or local laws or regulations could be enacted to address global climate change. At the international level, while the United States is not a current party to the international Kyoto Protocol, it has agreed to undertake certain voluntary actions under the non-binding Copenhagen Accord and pursuant to subsequent international discussions relating to climate change, including the establishment of a goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. International agreements legally binding on the United States may be reached in the future. Such new laws or regulations could mandate new or increased requirements to control or reduce the emission of greenhouse gases, such as CO<sub>2</sub>, which are created in the combustion of fossil fuels. The Companies' current generation capacity is primarily coal-fired and is estimated to produce about one ton of CO<sub>2</sub> per MWh, or approximately 25 million tons and 18 million tons per year for Great Plains Energy and KCP&L, respectively.

Laws have been passed in Missouri and Kansas, the states in which the Companies' retail electric businesses are operated, setting renewable energy standards, and management believes that national clean or renewable energy standards are also possible. While management believes additional requirements addressing these matters will possibly be enacted, the timing, provisions and impact of such requirements, including the cost to obtain and install new equipment to achieve compliance, cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. In addition, certain federal courts have held that state and local governments and private parties have standing to bring climate change tort suits seeking company-specific emission reductions and monetary or other damages. While the Companies are not a party to any climate change tort suit, there is no assurance that such suits may not be filed in the future or as to the outcome if such suits are filed. Such requirements or litigation outcomes could have the potential for a significant financial and operational impact on Great Plains Energy and KCP&L. The Companies would likely seek recovery of capital costs and expenses for compliance through rate increases; however, there can be no assurance that such rate increases would be granted.

Legislation concerning the reduction of emissions of greenhouse gases, including CO<sub>2</sub>, is being considered at the federal and state levels. The timing and effects of any such legislation cannot be determined at this time. In the absence of new Congressional mandates, the EPA is proceeding with the regulation of greenhouse gases under the existing Clean Air Act.

In March 2012, the EPA proposed new source performance standards for emissions of  $CO_2$  for new affected fossil-fuel-fired electric utility generating units. This action pursuant to the Clean Air Act would, for the first time, set national limits on the amount of  $CO_2$  that power plants built in the future can emit. The proposal would not apply to Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's existing units including modifications to those units.

At the state level, a Kansas law enacted in May 2009 required Kansas public electric utilities, including KCP&L, to have renewable energy generation capacity equal to at least 10% of their three-year average Kansas peak retail demand by 2011. The percentage increases to 15% by 2016 and 20% by 2020. A Missouri law enacted in November 2008 required at least 2% of the electricity provided by Missouri investor-owned utilities (including KCP&L and GMO) to their Missouri retail customers to come from

renewable resources, including wind, solar, biomass and hydropower, by 2011, increasing to 5% in 2014, 10% in 2018, and 15% in 2021, with a small portion (estimated to be about 2 MW for each of KCP&L and GMO) required to come from solar resources.

KCP&L and GMO project that they will be compliant with the Missouri renewable requirements, exclusive of the solar requirement, through 2023 for KCP&L and 2018 for GMO. KCP&L and GMO project that the purchase of solar renewable energy credits will be sufficient for compliance with the Missouri solar requirements for the foreseeable future. KCP&L also projects that it will be compliant with the Kansas renewable requirements through 2015.

Greenhouse gas legislation or regulation has the potential of having significant financial and operational impacts on Great Plains Energy and KCP&L, including the potential costs and impacts of achieving compliance with limits that may be established. However, the ultimate financial and operational consequences to Great Plains Energy and KCP&L cannot be determined until such legislation is passed and/or regulations are issued. Management will continue to monitor the progress of relevant legislation and regulations.

#### SO<sub>2</sub> NAAOS

In June 2010, the EPA strengthened the primary NAAQS for  $SO_2$  by establishing a new 1-hour standard at a level of 0.075 ppm and revoking the two existing primary standards of 0.140 ppm evaluated over 24 hours and 0.030 ppm evaluated over an entire year. In July 2011, the MDNR recommended to the EPA that part of Jackson County, Missouri, which is in the Companies' service territory, be designated a nonattainment area for the new 1-hour  $SO_2$  standard. In April 2012, the EPA announced it is seeking additional input from states, tribes, and other interested parties to refine the agency's approach for implementing the  $SO_2$  standard.

## Particulate Matter (PM) NAAQS

In June 2012, the EPA proposed to strengthen the NAAQS for fine particulate matter (PM2.5). The proposal strengthens the annual primary standard and seeks comment on alternative levels of the annual primary standard. The proposal retains the existing 24-hour PM2.5 primary standard, coarse particle matter (PM10) primary standard, and secondary standards for PM2.5 and PM10 identical to the primary standards. The proposal also includes a separate PM2.5 standard to improve visibility. The EPA is proposing two visibility options for this 24-hour standard and is seeking comment on alternative levels. The EPA agreed to finalize the rule by December 2012. Although the impact on Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's operations will not be known until after the rule is finalized, it could have a significant effect on Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's results of operations, financial position and cash flows.

#### Water

The Clean Water Act and associated regulations enacted by the EPA form a comprehensive program to preserve water quality. Like the Clean Air Act, states are required to establish regulations and programs to address all requirements of the Clean Water Act, and have the flexibility to enact more stringent requirements. All of Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's generating facilities, and certain of their other facilities, are subject to the Clean Water Act.

In March 2011, the EPA proposed regulations pursuant to Section 316(b) of the Clean Water Act regarding cooling water intake structures pursuant to a court approved settlement. KCP&L generation facilities with cooling water intake structures would be subject to a limit on how many fish can be killed by being pinned against intake screens (impingement) and would be required to conduct studies to determine whether and what site-specific controls, if any, would be required to reduce the number of aquatic organisms drawn into cooling water systems (entrainment). The EPA agreed to finalize the rule by June 2013. Although the impact on Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's operations will not be known until after the rule is finalized, it could have a significant effect on Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's results of operations, financial position and cash flows.

KCP&L holds a permit from the MDNR covering water discharge from its Hawthorn Station. The permit authorizes KCP&L to, among other things, withdraw water from the Missouri river for cooling purposes and return the heated water to the Missouri river. KCP&L has applied for a renewal of this permit and the EPA has submitted an interim objection letter regarding the allowable amount of heat that can be contained in the returned water. Until this matter is resolved, KCP&L continues to operate under its current permit. KCP&L cannot predict the outcome of this matter; however, while less significant outcomes are possible, this matter may require KCP&L to reduce its generation at Hawthorn Station, install cooling towers or both, any of which could have a significant impact on KCP&L. The outcome could also affect the terms of water permit renewals at KCP&L's Iatan Station and at GMO's Sibley and Lake Road Stations.

Additionally, the EPA plans to revise the existing standards for water discharges from coal-fired power plants with a proposed rule in December 2012 and final action in May 2014. Until a rule is proposed and finalized, the financial and operational impacts to Great Plains Energy and KCP&L cannot be determined.

#### Solid Waste

Solid and hazardous waste generation, storage, transportation, treatment and disposal is regulated at the federal and state levels under various laws and regulations. In May 2010, the EPA proposed to regulate coal combustion residuals (CCRs) under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) to address the risks from the disposal of CCRs generated from the combustion of coal at electric generating facilities. The EPA is considering two options in this proposal. Under the first option, the EPA would regulate CCRs as special wastes under subtitle C of RCRA (hazardous), when they are destined for disposal in landfills or surface impoundments. Under the second option, the EPA would regulate disposal of CCRs under subtitle D of RCRA (non-hazardous). The Companies use coal in generating electricity and dispose of the CCRs in both on-site facilities and facilities owned by third parties. The cost of complying with the proposed CCR rule has the potential of having a significant financial and operational impact on Great Plains Energy and KCP&L. However, the financial and operational consequences to Great Plains Energy and KCP&L cannot be determined until an option is selected by the EPA and the final regulation is enacted.

#### Remediation

Certain federal and state laws, including the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), hold current and previous owners or operators of contaminated facilities and persons who arranged for the disposal or treatment of hazardous substances liable for the cost of investigation and cleanup. CERCLA and other laws also authorize the EPA and other agencies to issue orders compelling potentially responsible parties to clean up sites that are determined to present an actual or potential threat to human health or the environment. GMO is named as a potentially responsible party at two disposal sites for polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) contamination, and retains some environmental liability for several operations and investments it no longer owns. In addition, GMO also owns, or has acquired liabilities from companies that once owned or operated, former manufactured gas plant (MGP) sites, which are subject to the supervision of the EPA and various state environmental agencies.

At September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, KCP&L had \$0.3 million accrued for environmental remediation expenses, which covers ground water monitoring at a former MGP site. At September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, Great Plains Energy had \$0.4 million accrued for environmental remediation expenses, which includes the \$0.3 million at KCP&L, and additional potential remediation and ground water monitoring costs relating to two GMO sites. The amounts accrued were established on an undiscounted basis and Great Plains Energy and KCP&L do not currently have an estimated time frame over which the accrued amounts may be paid.

In addition to the \$0.4 million accrual above, at September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, Great Plains Energy had \$3.0 million and \$2.1 million, respectively, accrued for the future investigation and remediation of certain additional GMO identified MGP sites, PCB contaminated sites and retained liabilities. This estimate was based upon review of the potential costs associated with conducting investigative and remedial actions at identified sites, as well as the likelihood of whether such actions will be necessary. This estimate could change materially after further investigation, and could also be affected by the actions of environmental agencies and the financial viability of other potentially responsible parties; however, given the uncertainty of these items the possible loss or range of loss in excess of the amount accrued is not estimable.

GMO has pursued recovery of remediation costs from insurance carriers and other potentially responsible parties. As a result of a settlement with an insurance carrier, approximately \$2.4 million in insurance proceeds less an annual deductible is available to GMO to recover qualified MGP remediation expenses. GMO would seek recovery of additional remediation costs and expenses through rate increases; however, there can be no assurance that such rate increases would be granted.

## 11. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

## KCP&L Spent Nuclear Fuel and Radioactive Waste

In January 2004, KCP&L and the other two Wolf Creek owners filed a lawsuit against the United States in the U.S. Court of Federal Claims seeking \$14.1 million of damages resulting from the government's failure to begin accepting spent nuclear fuel for disposal in January 1998, as the government was required to do by the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982. The Wolf Creek case was tried before a U.S. Court of Federal Claims judge in June 2010 and a decision was issued in November 2010 granting KCP&L and the other two Wolf Creek owners \$10.6 million (\$5.0 million KCP&L share) in damages. In January 2011, KCP&L and the other two Wolf Creek owners as well as the United States filed appeals of the decision to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. On July 12, 2012, a three-judge panel of the Court of Appeals issued a decision reversing in part the trial court's decision and directing that the original award be increased by \$2.1 million (\$1.0 million KCP&L share). The United States requested a rehearing of that decision, but on October 1, 2012, the court denied the rehearing request. On November 1, 2012, the trial court amended its judgment to comply with the Court of Appeals decision.

## **GMO Western Energy Crisis**

In response to complaints of manipulation of the California energy market, The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued an order in July 2001 requiring net sellers of power in the California markets from October 2, 2000, through June 20, 2001, at prices above a FERC-determined competitive market clearing price, to make refunds to net purchasers of power in the California market during that time period. Because MPS Merchant was a net purchaser of power during the refund period, it has received approximately \$8 million in refunds through settlements with certain sellers of power. MPS Merchant estimates that it is entitled to approximately \$12 million in additional refunds under the standards FERC has used in this case. FERC has stated that interest will be applied to the refunds but the amount of interest has not yet been determined.

In December 2001, various parties appealed the July 2001 FERC order to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (Ninth Circuit) seeking review of a number of issues, including expansion of the refund period to include periods prior to October 2, 2000 (the Summer Period). MPS Merchant was a net seller of power during the Summer Period. On August 2, 2006, the Ninth Circuit issued an order finding, among other things, that FERC did not provide a sufficient justification for refusing to exercise its remedial authority under the Federal Power Act to determine whether market participants violated FERC-approved tariffs during the Summer Period. The court remanded the matter to FERC for further consideration. In May 2011, FERC issued an order which clarified the scope of the hearing regarding spot-market transactions during the Summer Period and ruled on requests for rehearing and motions to dismiss. An evidentiary hearing before a FERC administrative law judge concluded on July 19, 2012. An initial decision by the FERC administrative law judge is due by February 2013. If FERC determines that MPS Merchant violated then-existing tariffs or laws during the Summer Period and that such violations affected market clearing prices in California, MPS Merchant could be found to owe refunds.

A separate proceeding was also initiated, generally referred to as the Pacific Northwest refund proceeding, to determine if any refunds were warranted in the Pacific Northwest between December 25, 2000, and June 20, 2001. Refund claims brought against MPS Merchant were \$5.1 million. MPS Merchant expects to settle these claims for an immaterial amount in the fourth quarter of 2012.

#### 12. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND RELATIONSHIPS

KCP&L employees manage GMO's business and operate its facilities at cost. These costs totaled \$23.9 million and \$76.8 million, respectively, for the three months ended and year to date September 30, 2012. These costs totaled \$25.0 million and \$82.2 million, respectively, for the same periods in 2011. Additionally, KCP&L and GMO engage in wholesale electricity transactions with each other. KCP&L and GMO are also authorized to participate in the Great Plains Energy money pool, an internal financing arrangement in which funds may be lent on a short-term basis to KCP&L and GMO. The following table summarizes KCP&L's related party receivables and payables.

	-	•		ember 31 2011	
		(millions)			
Net receivable from GMO	\$	15.9	\$	24.1	
Net receivable from Great Plains Energy		6.7		9.5	

### 13. DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS

Great Plains Energy and KCP&L are exposed to a variety of market risks including interest rates and commodity prices. Management has established risk management policies and strategies to reduce the potentially adverse effects that the volatility of the markets may have on Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's operating results. Commodity risk management activities, including the use of certain derivative instruments, are subject to the management, direction and control of an internal commodity risk committee. Management's interest rate risk management strategy uses derivative instruments to adjust Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's liability portfolio to optimize the mix of fixed and floating rate debt within an established range. In addition, Great Plains Energy and KCP&L use derivative instruments to hedge against future interest rate fluctuations on anticipated debt issuances. Management maintains commodity price risk management strategies that use derivative instruments to reduce the effects of fluctuations in fuel and purchased power expense caused by commodity price volatility. Counterparties to commodity derivatives and interest rate swap agreements expose Great Plains Energy and KCP&L to credit loss in the event of nonperformance. This credit loss is limited to the cost of replacing these contracts at current market rates. Derivative instruments, excluding those instruments that qualify for the normal purchases and normal sales (NPNS) election, which are accounted for by accrual accounting, are recorded on the balance sheet at fair value as an asset or liability. Changes in the fair value of derivative instruments are recognized currently in net income unless specific hedge accounting criteria are met, except GMO utility operations hedges that are recorded to a regulatory asset or liability consistent with MPSC regulatory orders, as discussed below.

Great Plains Energy and KCP&L have posted collateral, in the ordinary course of business, for the aggregate fair value of all derivative instruments with credit risk-related contingent features that are in a liability position. At September 30, 2012, Great Plains Energy and KCP&L have posted collateral in excess of the aggregate fair value of its derivative instruments; therefore, if the credit risk-related contingent features underlying these agreements were triggered, Great Plains Energy and KCP&L would not be required to post additional collateral to its counterparties.

# **Commodity Risk Management**

KCP&L's risk management policy is to use derivative instruments to mitigate its exposure to market price fluctuations on a portion of its projected natural gas purchases to meet generation requirements for retail and firm wholesale sales. At September 30, 2012, KCP&L had hedged 89% and 16%, respectively, of the 2013 and 2014 projected natural gas usage for retail load and firm MWh sales by utilizing futures contracts. KCP&L has designated the natural gas hedges as cash flow hedges. The fair values of these instruments are recorded as derivative assets or liabilities with an offsetting entry to OCI for the effective portion of the hedge. To the extent the hedges are not effective, any ineffective portion of the change in fair market value would be recorded currently in fuel expense. KCP&L has not recorded any ineffectiveness on natural gas hedges for the three months ended and year to date September 30, 2012 and 2011.

GMO's risk management policy is to use derivative instruments to mitigate price exposure to natural gas price volatility in the market. The fair value of the portfolio relates to financial contracts that will settle against actual purchases of natural gas and purchased power. At September 30, 2012, GMO had financial contracts in place to hedge approximately 93% for the remainder of 2012, 71% for 2013 and 10% for 2014 of the expected on-peak natural gas generation and natural gas equivalent purchased power price exposure. GMO has designated its natural gas hedges as economic hedges (non-hedging derivatives). In connection with GMO's 2005 Missouri electric rate case, it was agreed that the settlement costs of these contracts would be recognized in fuel expense. The settlement cost is included in GMO's FAC. A regulatory asset has been recorded to reflect the change in the timing of recognition authorized by the MPSC. To the extent recovery of actual costs incurred is allowed, amounts will not impact earnings, but will impact cash flows due to the timing of the recovery mechanism.

MPS Merchant, which has certain long-term natural gas contracts remaining from its former non-regulated trading operations, manages the daily delivery of its remaining contractual commitments with economic hedges (non-hedging derivatives) to reduce its exposure to changes in market prices. Within the trading portfolio, MPS Merchant takes certain positions to hedge physical sale or purchase contracts. MPS Merchant records the fair value of physical trading energy contracts as derivative assets or liabilities with an offsetting entry to the consolidated statements of income.

The notional and recorded fair values of open positions for derivative instruments are summarized in the following table. The fair values of these derivatives are recorded on the consolidated balance sheets. The fair values below are gross values before netting agreements and netting of cash collateral.

		September 30 2012			December 31 2011			1
	Co	otional ontract mount		Fair Value	C	otional ontract mount		Fair Value
Great Plains Energy				(mil	(millions)			
Futures contracts								
Cash flow hedges	\$	1.0	\$	(0.2)	\$	2.0	\$	(0.5)
Non-hedging derivatives		16.3		(1.9)		23.6		(5.0)
Forward contracts								
Non-hedging derivatives		70.3		6.8		97.3		7.8
Option contracts								
Non-hedging derivatives		_				0.4		_
KCP&L								
Futures contracts								
Cash flow hedges	\$	1.0	\$	(0.2)	\$	2.0	\$	(0.5)

The fair values of Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's open derivative positions are summarized in the following tables. The tables contain both derivative instruments designated as hedging instruments as well as non-hedging derivatives under GAAP. The fair values below are gross values before netting agreements and netting of cash collateral.

## **Great Plains Energy**

	Balance Sheet	Asset D	erivatives	Liability	Derivatives
September 30, 2012	Classification	Fair	Fair Value		<b>Value</b>
Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments			(mi	illions)	
Commodity contracts	Derivative instruments	\$	_	\$	0.2
<b>Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments</b>					
Commodity contracts	Derivative instruments		7.2		2.3
Total Derivatives		\$	7.2	\$	2.5
December 31, 2011					
Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments					
Commodity contracts	Derivative instruments	\$	_	\$	0.5
<b>Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments</b>					
Commodity contracts	Derivative instruments		7.8		5.0
Total Derivatives		\$	7.8	\$	5.5

## KCP&L

September 30, 2012	Balance Sheet Classification		Liability Derivatives Fair Value
Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments		(n	nillions)
Commodity contracts	Derivative instruments	\$ —	\$ 0.2
December 31, 2011			
<b>Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments</b>			
Commodity contracts	Derivative instruments	\$ —	\$ 0.5

The following tables summarize the amount of gain (loss) recognized in OCI or earnings for interest rate and commodity hedges.

# **Great Plains Energy**

Derivatives in Cash Flow Hedging Relationship			Gain (Loss) Reclassified	from				
			Accumulated OCI into In					
			(Effective Portion)	e Portion)				
	Recogniz Derivativ	f Gain (Loss) ed in OCI on es (Effective ortion)	Income Statement Classification	A	amount			
Three Months Ended September 30, 2012	(m	illions)		(r	nillions)			
Interest rate contracts	\$	_	Interest charges	\$	(5.0)			
Commodity contracts		0.1	Fuel		(0.5)			
Income tax expense		(0.1)	Income tax benefit		2.1			
Total	\$	_	Total	\$	(3.4)			
Year to Date September 30, 2012								
Interest rate contracts	\$	_	Interest charges	\$	(15.1)			
Commodity contracts		(0.1)	Fuel		(0.5)			
Income tax benefit		_	Income tax benefit		6.0			
Total	\$	(0.1)	Total	\$	(9.6)			
Three Months Ended September 30, 2011								
Interest rate contracts	\$	_	Interest charges	\$	(5.1)			
Commodity contracts		(0.1)	Fuel		(0.1)			
Income tax benefit		0.1	Income tax benefit		2.1			
Total	\$	_	Total	\$	(3.1)			
Year to Date September 30, 2011								
Interest rate contracts	\$	(5.3)	Interest charges	\$	(11.9)			
Commodity contracts		(0.2)	Fuel		(0.1)			
Income tax benefit		2.2	Income tax benefit		4.7			
Total	\$	(3.3)	Total	\$	(7.3)			

Commodity contracts Income tax benefit

Interest rate contracts

Commodity contracts

Interest rate contracts

Commodity contracts

Income tax benefit

Income tax benefit

Three Months Ended September 30, 2011

Year to Date September 30, 2011

Total

Total

Total

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Derivatives in Cash Flow Hedging Relationship					
			Gain (Loss) Reclassified	from	
			Accumulated OCI into In	come	
			(Effective Portion)		
	Recogniz	f Gain (Loss) ed in OCI on Effective Portion)	Income Statement Classification	Aı	nount
Three Months Ended September 30, 2012	(m	illions)		(m	illions)
Interest rate contracts	\$	_	Interest charges	\$	(2.2)
Commodity contracts		0.1	Fuel		(0.5)
Income tax expense		(0.1)	Income tax benefit		1.0
Total	\$	_	Total	\$	(1.7)
Year to Date September 30, 2012					
Interest rate contracts	\$	_	Interest charges	\$	(6.6)

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Income tax benefit

Interest charges

Interest charges

Income tax benefit

Income tax benefit

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Total

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Total

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0.9

(1.3)

(6.5)

(0.1)

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\$

The following table summarizes the amount of gain (loss) recognized in a regulatory balance sheet account or earnings for GMO utility commodity hedges. GMO utility commodity derivatives fair value changes are recorded to either a regulatory asset or liability consistent with MPSC regulatory orders.

#### **Great Plains Energy**

			` '	Gain (Loss) Reclassified from Regulatory Account				
	Recognize	of Gain (Loss) d in Regulatory on Derivatives	Income Statement Classification	A	mount			
Three Months Ended September 30, 2012	(n	nillions)		(millions)				
Commodity contracts	\$	0.9	Fuel	\$	(2.8)			
Total	\$	0.9	Total	\$	(2.8)			
Year to Date September 30, 2012								
Commodity contracts	\$	(1.8)	Fuel	\$	(5.5)			
Total	\$	(1.8)	Total	\$	(5.5)			
Three Months Ended September 30, 2011								
Commodity contracts	\$	(2.2)	Fuel	\$	(0.6)			
Total	\$	(2.2)	Total	\$	(0.6)			
Year to Date September 30, 2011								
Commodity contracts	\$	(3.5)	Fuel	\$	(3.5)			
Total	\$	(3.5)	Total	\$	(3.5)			

Great Plains Energy's income statement reflects gains (losses) for the change in fair value of the MPS Merchant commodity contract derivatives not designated as hedging instruments of \$0.1 million and \$(1.0) million, respectively, for the three months ended and year to date September 30, 2012, and \$(0.6) million and \$0.4 million, respectively, for the same periods in 2011.

The amounts recorded in accumulated OCI related to the cash flow hedges are summarized in the following table.

		Great Plains Energy					KCP&L			
	•	September 30 2012		ember 31 2011	-	ember 30 2012		ember 31 2011		
		(millions)								
Current assets	\$	10.8	\$	11.3	\$	10.8	\$	11.3		
Current liabilities		(73.6)		(89.5)		(55.1)		(62.5)		
Noncurrent liabilities		(0.1)		(0.2)		(0.1)		(0.2)		
Deferred income taxes		24.5		30.5		17.3		20.0		
Total	\$	(38.4)	\$	(47.9)	\$	(27.1)	\$	(31.4)		

Great Plains Energy's accumulated OCI in the table above at September 30, 2012, includes \$20.3 million that is expected to be reclassified to expenses over the next twelve months. KCP&L's accumulated OCI in the table above at September 30, 2012, includes \$8.9 million that is expected to be reclassified to expenses over the next twelve months.

#### 14. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

GAAP defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. GAAP establishes a fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad categories, giving the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities and lowest priority to unobservable inputs. A definition of the various levels, as well as discussion of the various measurements within the levels, is as follows:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that Great Plains Energy and KCP&L have access to at the measurement date. Assets and liabilities categorized within this level consist of Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's various exchange traded derivative instruments and equity and U.S. Treasury securities that are actively traded within KCP&L's decommissioning trust fund and GMO's Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan (SERP) rabbi trust fund.

Level 2 – Market-based inputs for assets or liabilities that are observable (either directly or indirectly) or inputs that are not observable but are corroborated by market data. Assets categorized within this level consist of Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's various non-exchange traded derivative instruments traded in over-the-counter markets and certain debt securities within KCP&L's decommissioning trust fund and GMO's SERP rabbi trust fund.

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs, reflecting Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Assets categorized within this level consist of Great Plains Energy's various non-exchange traded derivative instruments traded in over-the-counter markets for which sufficiently observable market data is not available to corroborate the valuation inputs.

The following tables include Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's balances of financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis at September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011.

Debt securities	rkets for Signifi Assets Observ l 1) (L	icant Other vable Inputs Level 2)  2.8 2.7 26.4 0.6 0.2 32.7 32.7	Unob In	nificant servable nputs evel 3)
Nuclear decommissioning trust (b)	97.9 \$ 18.6 — — — — — — 116.5 116.5	2.7 26.4 0.6 0.2 32.7 32.7	\$	
Nuclear decommissioning trust (b)	18.6 — — — — 116.5 116.5	2.7 26.4 0.6 0.2 32.7 32.7	\$	- - - - - - -
Equity securities   \$ 97.9	18.6 — — — — 116.5 116.5	2.7 26.4 0.6 0.2 32.7 32.7	\$	- - - - - - - -
Debt securities	18.6 — — — — 116.5 116.5	2.7 26.4 0.6 0.2 32.7 32.7	\$	- - - - - - -
U.S. Treasury		2.7 26.4 0.6 0.2 32.7 32.7		- - - - - -
U.S. Agency       2.8       —         State and local obligations       2.7       —         Corporate bonds       26.4       —         Foreign governments       0.6       —         Other       0.2       —         Total nuclear decommissioning trust       149.2       —       1         Total       149.2       —       1         Liabilities       —       (0.2)       \$         Derivative instruments (a)       \$       —       \$       (0.2)       \$         Other Great Plains Energy         Assets       Derivative instruments (a)       \$       6.8       \$       (0.4)       \$         SERP rabbi trust (c)       Equity securities       0.1       —       —		2.7 26.4 0.6 0.2 32.7 32.7		- - - - - - -
State and local obligations Corporate bonds Foreign governments 0.6 Other 0.2 Total nuclear decommissioning trust 149.2 Total  Liabilities Derivative instruments (a) Total Serent Plains Energy Assets Derivative instruments (a) SERP rabbi trust (c) Equity securities  2.7 — — (0.6 — — (0.2) — (0	0.2	2.7 26.4 0.6 0.2 32.7 32.7		- - - - - -
Corporate bonds	0.2	26.4 0.6 0.2 32.7 32.7		
Foreign governments	0.2	0.6 0.2 32.7 32.7		- - - - -
Other Other O.2 — Total nuclear decommissioning trust 149.2 — 1 Total 149.2 — 1  Liabilities  Derivative instruments (a) — (0.2)  Total \$ — \$ (0.2) \$  Other Great Plains Energy  Assets  Derivative instruments (a) \$ 6.8 \$ (0.4) \$  SERP rabbi trust (c)  Equity securities 0.1 —	0.2	0.2 32.7 32.7 —		_  
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Total   149.2	0.2	32.7		
Liabilities  Derivative instruments (a) — (0.2)  Total \$ — \$ (0.2) \$  Other Great Plains Energy  Assets  Derivative instruments (a) \$ 6.8 \$ (0.4) \$  SERP rabbi trust (c)  Equity securities 0.1 —	0.2	_		
Derivative instruments (a)         —         (0.2)           Total         \$ —         \$ (0.2)         \$           Other Great Plains Energy           Assets         Serve the control of the control		_ _		_
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Derivative instruments <sup>(a)</sup> \$ 6.8 \$ (0.4) \$ SERP rabbi trust <sup>(c)</sup> Equity securities 0.1 —				
SERP rabbi trust <sup>(c)</sup> Equity securities  0.1 —				
Equity securities 0.1 —	0.4 \$	4.4	\$	2.4
Debt securities 0.1 —	0.1	_		_
200 00000000000000000000000000000000000	_	0.1		_
Total SERP rabbi trust 0.2 —	0.1	0.1		_
Total 7.0 (0.4)	0.5	4.5		2.4
Liabilities				
Derivative instruments <sup>(a)</sup> — (2.3)	2.3	_		_
Total \$ — \$ (2.3) \$	2.3 \$		\$	
Great Plains Energy			7	
Assets				
Derivative instruments (a) \$ 6.8 \$ (0.4) \$	0.4 \$	4.4	\$	2.4
` '	116.5	32.7	7	
SERP rabbi trust (c) 0.2 —	0.1	0.1		_
	117.0	37.2		2.4
Liabilities				
Derivative instruments <sup>(a)</sup> — (2.5)	2.5	_		_
Total \$ — \$ (2.5) \$			\$	

				Fair Value Measurements U					Jsing		
Description	ember 31 2011	Ne	Netting <sup>(d)</sup>		Netting <sup>(d)</sup>		d Prices in Markets for cal Assets evel 1)	Observ	cant Other able Inputs evel 2)	Unob Ir	nificant oservable nputs evel 3)
KCP&L				(mi	llions)						
Assets											
Nuclear decommissioning trust (b)											
Equity securities	\$ 84.3	\$	_	\$	84.3	\$	_	\$	_		
Debt securities											
U.S. Treasury	15.3		_		15.3		_		_		
U.S. Agency	3.6		_		_		3.6		_		
State and local obligations	2.6		_		_		2.6		_		
Corporate bonds	26.4		_		_		26.4		_		
Foreign governments	0.7		_		_		0.7		_		
Other	 (0.6)		_		_		(0.6)		_		
Total nuclear decommissioning trust	 132.3		_		99.6		32.7		_		
Total	 132.3		_		99.6		32.7		_		
Liabilities											
Derivative instruments (a)	_		(0.5)		0.5		_		_		
Total	\$ _	\$	(0.5)	\$	0.5	\$	_	\$	_		
Other Great Plains Energy											
Assets											
Derivative instruments (a)	\$ 7.8	\$	_	\$	_	\$	4.7	\$	3.1		
SERP rabbi trust (c)											
Equity securities	0.2		_		0.2		_		_		
Debt securities	0.1		_		_		0.1		_		
Total SERP rabbi trust	0.3		_		0.2		0.1		_		
Total	8.1		_		0.2		4.8		3.1		
Liabilities											
Derivative instruments (a)	_		(5.0)		5.0		_		_		
Total	\$ _	\$	(5.0)	\$	5.0	\$	_	\$	_		
Great Plains Energy											
Assets											
Derivative instruments (a)	\$ 7.8	\$	_	\$	_	\$	4.7	\$	3.1		
Nuclear decommissioning trust (b)	132.3		_		99.6		32.7		_		
SERP rabbi trust (c)	0.3		_		0.2		0.1		_		
Total	140.4		_		99.8		37.5		3.1		
Liabilities											
Derivative instruments <sup>(a)</sup>	_		(5.5)		5.5		_		_		
Total	\$ 	\$	(5.5)	\$	5.5	\$	_	\$			

<sup>(</sup>a) The fair value of derivative instruments is estimated using market quotes, over-the-counter forward price and volatility curves and correlations among fuel prices, net of estimated credit risk.

<sup>(</sup>b) Fair value is based on quoted market prices of the investments held by the fund and/or valuation models. The total does not include \$2.9 million and \$3.0 million at September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, respectively, of cash and cash equivalents, which are not subject to the fair value requirements.

<sup>(</sup>c) Fair value is based on quoted market prices of the investments held by the fund and/or valuation models. The total does not include \$20.3 million at September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, of cash and cash equivalents, which are not subject to the fair value requirements.

Balance at September 30

Total unrealized gains and (losses) included in non-operating income relating to assets

and liabilities still on the consolidated balance sheet at September 30

(d) Represents the difference between derivative contracts in an asset or liability position presented on a net basis by counterparty on the consolidated balance sheet where a master netting agreement exists between the Company and the counterparty. At September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, Great Plains Energy netted \$2.1 million and \$5.5 million, respectively, of cash collateral posted with counterparties.

The following tables reconcile the beginning and ending balances for all Level 3 assets and liabilities, net, measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the three months ended and year to date September 30, 2012 and 2011.

	2	2012		2011
		Derivative	Instrum	ents
		(mil	lions)	
Balance at July 1	\$	2.2	\$	4.9
Total realized/unrealized gains included in non-operating income		3.7		4.0
Settlements		(3.5)		(4.4
Balance at September 30	\$	2.4	\$	4.5
Total unrealized gains and (losses) included in non-operating income relating to assets				
and liabilities still on the consolidated balance sheet at September 30	\$	0.3	\$	(0.3)
Fair Value Measurements Using Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)				
	2	2012		2011
		Derivative	Instrum	ents
		(mil	lions)	
Balance at January 1	\$	3.1	\$	3.7
Total realized/unrealized gains included in non-operating income		4.8		11.1
Settlements		(5.5)		(10.3)

\$

\$

\$

\$

4.5

1.2

2.4

(0.4)

# 15. TAXES

Components of income tax expense are detailed in the following tables.

	Three Months Ended September 30				Year to Date September 30			
Great Plains Energy	2012		2011		2012		2011	
Current income taxes	(m			illions)				
Federal	\$ (1.4)	\$	(10.2)	\$	(4.7)	\$	(6.4)	
State	(0.3)		(8.0)		_		(4.8)	
Foreign	_		_		_		(0.4)	
Total	(1.7)		(11.0)		(4.7)		(11.6)	
Deferred income taxes								
Federal	75.1		74.7		97.6		103.6	
State	13.9		13.0		18.2		20.4	
Total	89.0		87.7		115.8		124.0	
Noncurrent income taxes								
Federal	_		_		(0.2)		(18.0)	
State	_		_		_		(1.9)	
Foreign	(4.1)		(0.6)		(4.2)		(0.4)	
Total	 (4.1)		(0.6)		(4.4)		(20.3)	
Investment tax credit amortization	(0.6)		(0.7)		(1.8)		(1.5)	
Income tax expense	\$ 82.6	\$	75.4	\$	104.9	\$	90.6	

		Three Months Ended September 30				Year to Date September 30				
KCP&L		2012		2011		2012		2011		
Current income taxes	(millions)									
Federal	\$	22.9	\$	(10.2)	\$	23.1	\$	(7.8)		
State		4.1		(0.9)		4.2		(0.4)		
Total		27.0		(11.1)		27.3		(8.2)		
Deferred income taxes										
Federal		22.7		53.5		38.8		73.4		
State		4.5		9.3		8.6		13.8		
Total		27.2		62.8		47.4		87.2		
Noncurrent income taxes										
Federal		1.0		1.5		1.1		(9.1)		
State		0.2		0.1		0.2		(1.0)		
Total		1.2		1.6		1.3		(10.1)		
Investment tax credit amortization		(0.5)		(0.5)		(1.4)		(1.0)		
Income tax expense	\$	54.9	\$	52.8	\$	74.6	\$	67.9		

# **Income Tax Expense and Effective Income Tax Rates**

Income tax expense and the effective income tax rates reflected in the financial statements and the reasons for their differences from the statutory federal rates are detailed in the following tables.

Great Plains Energy	Income T	ax Exp	pense	<b>Income Tax Rate</b>		
Three Months Ended September 30	2012		2011	2012	2011	
	(mi	llions)				
Federal statutory income tax	\$ 80.0	\$	70.6	35.0 %	35.0 %	
Differences between book and tax depreciation not						
normalized	1.3		1.8	0.5	0.9	
Amortization of investment tax credits	(0.6)		(0.7)	(0.3)	(0.3)	
Federal income tax credits	(2.2)		(2.9)	(1.0)	(1.4)	
State income taxes	8.8		8.1	3.8	4.0	
Changes in uncertain tax positions, net	(4.1)		(2.7)	(1.8)	(1.3)	
Other	(0.6)		1.2	(0.1)	0.4	
Total	\$ 82.6	\$	75.4	36.1 %	37.3 %	

Great Plains Energy	Income T	ах Ехр	oense	Income Tax Rate		
Year to Date September 30	2012		2011	2012	2011	
	(mi					
Federal statutory income tax	\$ 105.0	\$	92.0	35.0 %	35.0 %	
Differences between book and tax depreciation not						
normalized	3.4		3.7	1.1	1.4	
Amortization of investment tax credits	(1.8)		(1.5)	(0.6)	(0.6)	
Federal income tax credits	(8.3)		(9.7)	(2.8)	(3.7)	
State income taxes	11.7		11.1	3.9	4.2	
Changes in uncertain tax positions, net	(4.2)		(4.0)	(1.4)	(1.5)	
Valuation allowance	0.1		(2.2)	_	(0.8)	
Other	(1.0)		1.2	(0.3)	0.5	
Total	\$ 104.9	\$	90.6	34.9 %	34.5 %	

KCP&L	Income T	ах Ехр	pense	<b>Income Tax Rate</b>		
Three Months Ended September 30	2012		2011	2012	2011	
	(mi					
Federal statutory income tax	\$ 50.8	\$	48.3	35.0 %	35.0 %	
Differences between book and tax depreciation not						
normalized	1.0		1.7	0.7	1.2	
Amortization of investment tax credits	(0.5)		(0.5)	(0.3)	(0.4)	
Federal income tax credits	(2.2)		(2.9)	(1.5)	(2.1)	
State income taxes	5.8		5.7	3.9	4.1	
Other	_		0.5	_	0.4	
Total	\$ 54.9	\$	52.8	37.8 %	38.2 %	

KCP&L	Income T	ax Exp	pense	<b>Income Tax Rate</b>		
Year to Date September 30	2012 2		2011	2012	2011	
	(millions)					
Federal statutory income tax	\$ 73.8	\$	66.7	35.0 %	35.0 %	
Differences between book and tax depreciation not						
normalized	2.8		3.3	1.3	1.7	
Amortization of investment tax credits	(1.4)		(1.0)	(0.6)	(0.5)	
Federal income tax credits	(8.3)		(9.6)	(4.0)	(5.1)	
State income taxes	8.4		7.7	4.0	4.0	
Changes in uncertain tax positions, net	_		0.4	_	0.2	
Other	(0.7)		0.4	(0.3)	0.3	
Total	\$ 74.6	\$	67.9	35.4 %	35.6 %	

#### **Uncertain Tax Positions**

At September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, Great Plains Energy had \$21.0 million and \$24.0 million, respectively, of liabilities related to unrecognized tax benefits. Of these amounts, \$7.6 million and \$11.8 million at September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, respectively, are expected to impact the effective tax rate if recognized. The \$3.0 million decrease in unrecognized tax benefits is primarily due to a \$4.5 million decrease of unrecognized tax benefits related to former GMO non-regulated operations.

At September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, KCP&L had \$9.9 million and \$8.7 million, respectively, of liabilities related to unrecognized tax benefits. Of these amounts, \$0.2 million at September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, is expected to impact the effective tax rate if recognized.

The following table reflects activity for Great Plains Energy and KCP&L related to the liability for unrecognized tax benefits.

	Great Pla	ins Energ	gy		KC	P&L		
	September 30         December 31         September 30           2012         2011         2012					December 3 2011		
			(mil	lions)				
Beginning balance January 1	\$ 24.0	\$	42.0	\$	8.7	\$	19.1	
Additions for current year tax positions	2.8		1.4		2.7		_	
Additions for prior year tax positions	_		2.4		_		2.3	
Reductions for prior year tax positions	(6.1)		(20.9)		(1.5)		(12.6)	
Statute expirations	_		(0.7)		_		(0.1)	
Foreign currency translation adjustments	0.3		(0.2)		_		_	
Ending balance	\$ 21.0	\$	24.0	\$	9.9	\$	8.7	

Great Plains Energy and KCP&L recognize interest related to unrecognized tax benefits in interest expense and penalties in non-operating expenses. At September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, accrued interest related to unrecognized tax benefits for Great Plains Energy was \$3.5 million and \$5.7 million, respectively. The \$2.2 million decrease in accrued interest was primarily related to former GMO non-regulated operations. Amounts accrued for penalties with respect to unrecognized tax benefits for Great Plains Energy were \$0.7 million and \$1.1 million at September 30, 2012, and December 31, 2011, respectively. Amounts accrued for interest and penalties with respect to unrecognized tax benefits for KCP&L are insignificant.

The IRS is currently auditing Great Plains Energy and its subsidiaries for the 2009 tax year. The Company estimates that it is reasonably possible that \$4.8 million and \$4.0 million for Great Plains Energy and KCP&L, respectively, of unrecognized tax benefits may be recognized in the next twelve months due to statute expirations or settlement agreements with tax authorities.

### 16. SEGMENTS AND RELATED INFORMATION

Great Plains Energy has one reportable segment based on its method of internal reporting, which segregates reportable segments based on products and services, management responsibility and regulation. The one reportable business segment is electric utility, consisting of KCP&L, GMO's regulated utility operations and GMO Receivables Company. Other includes GMO activity other than its regulated utility operations, unallocated corporate charges, consolidating entries and intercompany eliminations. Intercompany eliminations include insignificant amounts of intercompany financing-related activities. The summary of significant accounting policies applies to the reportable segment. Segment performance is evaluated based on net income attributable to Great Plains Energy.

The following tables reflect summarized financial information concerning Great Plains Energy's reportable segment.

Three Months Ended September 30, 2012		Electric Utility	O	ther	 at Plains Inergy
			lions)		
Operating revenues	\$	746.2	\$	_	\$ 746.2
Depreciation and amortization		(68.9)		_	(68.9)
Interest (charges) income		(48.4)		0.3	(48.1)
Income tax (expense) benefit		(86.5)		3.9	(82.6)
Net income attributable to Great Plains Energy		141.9		4.3	146.2

Year to Date	Electric		<b>Great Plains</b>		
September 30, 2012	Utility	Other	Energy		
		(millions)			
Operating revenues	\$ 1,829.5	\$ —	\$ 1,829.5		
Depreciation and amortization	(204.2)	_	(204.2)		
Interest charges	(149.5)	(21.3)	(170.8)		
Income tax (expense) benefit	(120.6)	15.7	(104.9)		
Net income (loss) attributable to Great Plains Energy	210.2	(15.0)	195.2		

Three Months Ended	I	Electric			Great Plair		
September 30, 2011		Utility	Other		Energy		
			(millions)				
Operating revenues	\$	773.7	\$	_	\$	773.7	
Depreciation and amortization		(65.9)		_		(65.9)	
Interest charges		(50.2)		(10.6)		(60.8)	
Income tax (expense) benefit		(82.9)		7.5		(75.4)	
Net income (loss) attributable to Great Plains Energy		133.9		(7.4)		126.5	

Year to Date September 30, 2011		Electric Utility	0	Other		eat Plains Energy
Operating revenues	\$	1,831.7	\$	_	\$	1,831.7
Depreciation and amortization		(205.9)		_		(205.9)
Interest charges		(124.8)		(31.2)		(156.0)
Income tax (expense) benefit		(109.8)		19.2		(90.6)
Net income (loss) attributable to Great Plains Energy		189.9		(17.6)		172.3

	Electric Utility	Other Eliminations		Other Eliminations		eat Plains Energy
September 30, 2012			(mi	llions)		
Assets	\$ 9,765.3	\$	152.5	\$	(415.4)	\$ 9,502.4
Capital expenditures (a)	409.5		_		_	409.5
December 31, 2011						
Assets	\$ 9,483.4	\$	51.9	\$	(417.3)	\$ 9,118.0
Capital expenditures (a)	456.6		_		_	456.6

<sup>(</sup>a) Capital expenditures reflect year to date amounts for the periods presented.

#### 17. GOODWILL

Accounting rules require goodwill to be tested for impairment annually and when an event occurs indicating the possibility that an impairment exists. The annual impairment test for the \$169.0 million of GMO acquisition goodwill was conducted on September 1, 2012. The goodwill impairment test is a two step process. The first step compares the fair value of a reporting unit to its carrying amount, including goodwill, to identify potential impairment. If the carrying amount exceeds the fair value of the reporting unit, the second step of the test is performed, consisting of assignment of the reporting unit's fair value to its assets and liabilities to determine an implied fair value of goodwill, which is compared to the carrying amount of goodwill to determine the impairment loss, if any, to be recognized in the financial statements. Great Plains Energy's regulated electric utility operations are considered one reporting unit for assessment of impairment, as they are included within the same operating segment and have similar economic characteristics. The determination of fair value of the reporting unit consisted of two valuation techniques: an income approach consisting of a discounted cash flow analysis and a market approach consisting of a determination of reporting unit invested capital using market multiples derived from the historical revenue, EBITDA and net utility asset values and market prices of stock of electric and gas company regulated peers. The results of the two techniques were evaluated and weighted to determine a point within the range that management considered representative of fair value for the reporting unit. Fair value of the reporting unit exceeded the carrying amount, including goodwill; therefore, there was no impairment of goodwill.

## ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

#### **GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **Description of Business**

Great Plains Energy is a public utility holding company and does not own or operate any significant assets other than the stock of its subsidiaries. Great Plains Energy's direct subsidiaries with operations or active subsidiaries are KCP&L and GMO. Great Plains Energy's sole reportable business segment is electric utility for the periods presented.

Electric utility consists of KCP&L, a regulated utility, GMO's regulated utility operations, which include its Missouri Public Service and L&P divisions, and GMO Receivables Company. Electric utility has over 6,600 MWs of generating capacity and engages in the generation, transmission, distribution and sale of electricity to approximately 826,800 customers in the states of Missouri and Kansas. Electric utility's retail electricity rates are below the national average of investor-owned utilities.

#### **Earnings Overview**

Great Plains Energy's earnings available for common shareholders for the three months ended September 30, 2012, increased to \$145.8 million or \$0.95 per share from \$126.1 million or \$0.91 per share for the same period in 2011 driven by:

- favorable weather, with a 6% increase in cooling degree days;
- a \$12.7 million decrease in interest expense primarily due to a \$6.9 million decrease related to GMO's \$500.0 million 11.875% Senior Notes, which were repaid at maturity in July 2012, a \$3.5 million decrease due to lower interest rate debt, and a \$2.6 million decrease related to the release of uncertain tax positions; and
- the three months ended September 30, 2011, included the impact from flooding along the Missouri River, which decreased gross margin by an estimated \$16 million due to coal conservation and increased other operating expenses \$3.4 million.

These increases were partially offset by a decrease in weather-normalized retail demand. In addition, a higher number of shares outstanding due to the issuance of 17.1 million shares in connection with the June 2012 settlement of the purchase contracts underlying the Equity Units diluted earnings per share by \$0.09.

Great Plains Energy's earnings available for common shareholders year to date September 30, 2012, increased to \$194.0 million or \$1.34 per share from \$171.1 million or \$1.24 per share for the same period in 2011 driven by:

- new retail rates in Missouri effective May 4, 2011, for KCP&L and June 25, 2011, for GMO;
- favorable weather, with a 16% increase in cooling degree days partially offset by the impact of unfavorable weather during the first quarter of 2012; and
- year to date September 30, 2011, included:
  - the impact from flooding along the Missouri River, which decreased gross margin by an estimated \$16 million due to coal conservation and increased other operating expenses \$3.4 million;
  - an estimated \$11 million decrease in gross margin from the impact of an extended refueling outage at Wolf Creek;
  - \$12.7 million of expense relating to a voluntary separation program; and

• a \$2.3 million loss relating to the impact of disallowed construction costs for the Iatan No. 1 environmental project and Iatan No. 2 and \$3.9 million of expenses related to other accounting effects of the KCP&L and GMO 2011 MPSC rate orders.

These increases were partially offset by:

- a decrease in weather-normalized retail demand;
- an estimated \$20 million impact at Wolf Creek due to an unplanned outage in the first quarter of 2012, increased amortization from the 2011 extended refueling outage and increased other operating expenses; and
- a \$14.8 million increase in interest expense primarily due to the deferral to a regulatory asset of \$22.1 million of Iatan Nos. 1, 2 and common facilities construction accounting carrying costs during 2011, partially offset by a \$5.3 million decrease related to GMO's \$500.0 million 11.875% Senior Notes, which were repaid at maturity in July 2012, and a \$2.6 million decrease related to the release of uncertain tax positions.

In addition, a higher number of shares outstanding due to the issuance of 17.1 million shares in connection with the June 2012 settlement of the purchase contracts underlying the Equity Units diluted earnings per share by \$0.06.

# **Wolf Creek Regulation and Operating Costs**

On January 13, 2012, Wolf Creek experienced a loss of off-site power resulting in an unplanned shutdown of the unit. Wolf Creek returned to service on March 27, 2012. The NRC conducted an investigation and increased its oversight of Wolf Creek following the loss of off-site power. Operating costs at Wolf Creek increased year to date September 30, 2012, due to the unplanned outage. Great Plains Energy is planning to expend more resources at Wolf Creek that will result in future increases in operating costs due to increased NRC oversight and efforts to comply with new industry-wide regulations adopted by the NRC earlier this year after a review of U.S. nuclear power plant safety prompted by Japan's Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant event in 2011.

As a result of the 2012 unplanned outage and the extended refueling outage that occurred in 2011, Wolf Creek's next refueling outage was rescheduled from the third quarter of 2012 to the first quarter of 2013.

## **KCP&L Kansas Rate Case Proceedings**

On April 20, 2012, KCP&L filed an application with KCC to request an increase to its retail revenues of \$63.6 million, with a return on equity of 10.4% and a rate-making equity ratio of 51.8%. In September 2012, KCP&L revised its requested return on equity to 10.3%. The request includes recovery of costs related to significant upgrades at its generating facilities, including environmental upgrades at the La Cygne Station; investments in additional wind generation; and increased investments in electrical infrastructure. KCP&L is also requesting that KCC approve a change to depreciation rates to reflect the increase in plant in service as well as a change to the current method of allocating costs between its Kansas and Missouri jurisdictions to better reflect KCP&L's summer peaking business. Testimony from KCC staff and other parties regarding the case was filed on August 22, 2012. The KCC staff's testimony recommended a return on equity of 9.2% and a revenue increase of approximately \$27.5 million.

In October 2012, KCP&L adjusted its requested increase to retail revenues to \$56.4 million as the net result of updates to the case, which includes a non-unanimous stipulation and agreement filed in September 2012 by KCP&L and KCC staff to settle a number of issues in the case. The stipulation and agreement is pending KCC approval. The outcome of the KCP&L Kansas rate case will likely be different than either of the positions of KCP&L or KCC staff. The decision of the KCC cannot be predicted. The increase to retail revenues is anticipated to be effective in January 2013.

### **KCP&L Missouri Rate Case Proceedings**

On February 27, 2012, KCP&L filed an application with the MPSC to request an increase to its retail revenues of \$105.7 million, with a return on equity of 10.4% and a rate-making equity ratio of 52.5%. In September 2012, KCP&L revised its requested return on equity to 10.3%. The request includes recovery of costs related to

improving and maintaining infrastructure to continue to be able to provide reliable electric service and also includes a lower annual offset to the revenue requirement for the Missouri jurisdictional portion of KCP&L's annual non-firm wholesale electric sales margin (wholesale margin offset). KCP&L currently expects that it will not be able to achieve the \$45.9 million wholesale margin offset currently reflected in its retail rates due to transmission congestion, regional demand and low wholesale power prices. Testimony from MPSC staff and other parties regarding the case was filed on August 2, 2012. The MPSC staff's testimony recommended a return on equity range of 8.0% to 9.0% and a revenue increase range of approximately \$16.5 million to \$33.7 million.

In November 2012, the MPSC issued an order approving multiple stipulation and agreements to settle a number of the issues in the case. An order on the remaining issues in the case is anticipated to be received to accommodate the increase to retail revenues to be effective in late January 2013. The final outcome of the KCP&L Missouri rate case will likely be different than either of the positions of KCP&L or MPSC staff. The final decision of the MPSC cannot be predicted.

In a March 2011 order, the MPSC required KCP&L and GMO to apply to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to reallocate approximately \$26.5 million of Iatan No. 2 qualifying advance coal project tax credits from KCP&L to GMO. KCP&L and GMO did apply to the IRS but in September 2011, the IRS denied KCP&L's and GMO's request. In November 2012, the MPSC issued an order that does not require a reallocation of Iatan No. 2 qualifying advance coal project tax credits from KCP&L to GMO.

#### **GMO Missouri Rate Case Proceedings**

On February 27, 2012, GMO filed an application with the MPSC to request an increase to its retail revenues of \$58.3 million for its Missouri Public Service division and \$25.2 million for its L&P division, with a return on equity of 10.4% and a rate-making equity ratio of 52.5%. In September 2012, GMO revised its requested return on equity to 10.3% for both its Missouri Public Service and L&P divisions. The requests include recovery of costs related to improving and maintaining infrastructure to continue to be able to provide reliable electric service, costs related to energy efficiency and demand side management programs, and increased fuel costs. Testimony from MPSC staff and other parties regarding the case was filed on August 9, 2012. The MPSC staff's testimony recommended a return on equity range of 8.0% to 9.0%, with a revenue increase of \$0.4 million to \$11.9 million for GMO's Missouri Public Service division and \$0.7 million to \$4.6 million for its L&P division.

In November 2012, the MPSC issued an order approving multiple stipulation and agreements to settle a number of the issues in the case. An order on the remaining issues in the case is anticipated to be received to accommodate the increase to retail revenues to be effective in late January 2013. The final outcome of the GMO Missouri rate case will likely be different than either of the positions of GMO or MPSC staff. The final decision of the MPSC cannot be predicted.

In December 2011, GMO filed a request with the MPSC seeking to recover costs for new and enhanced energy efficiency and demand side management programs under MEEIA. In November 2012, the MPSC issued an order approving a stipulation and agreement to settle all of the issues in the MEEIA request.

#### **Transmission Investment Opportunities**

In April 2012, Great Plains Energy announced that GPE Transmission Holding Company LLC (GPETHC), a newly-formed wholly-owned subsidiary of Great Plains Energy, and AEP Transmission Holding Company, LLC (AEPTHC) formed a new company to exclusively pursue, develop, construct, own and operate competitive electric transmission projects. The new company, Transource Energy, LLC (Transource), is 86.5% owned by AEPTHC, a subsidiary of American Electric Power Company, Inc., and 13.5% owned by GPETHC. Transource plans to initially pursue competitive regional transmission projects in the PJM Interconnection, SPP and Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator transmission regions with plans to pursue competitive electric transmission projects in additional regions as they mature.

GMO has an SPP-approved regional transmission project for the Missouri portion of an approximately 175-mile, 345kV transmission line from Sibley, Missouri to Nebraska City, Nebraska with an estimated cost of \$380 million for GMO's portion of the line and an expected 2017 inservice date. KCP&L and GMO jointly have an SPP-

approved regional transmission project for an approximately 30-mile, 345kV transmission line, with estimated construction costs of \$65 million and an expected 2015 in-service date, from KCP&L's and GMO's Iatan generating station to KCP&L's Nashua substation.

On August 31, 2012, KCP&L and GMO filed a request with the MPSC to authorize the transfer at cost of certain transmission property related to the two SPP-approved regional transmission projects to Transource Missouri, LLC (Transource Missouri), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Transource. On August 31, 2012, Transource Missouri filed a request with the MPSC seeking a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) to construct, finance, own, operate and maintain the projects. MPSC approval is anticipated in the third quarter of 2013. Also on August 31, 2012, Transource Missouri filed a request with FERC seeking incentive rate treatment and acceptance of a formula transmission rate to recover the cost of current and future projects. In October 2012, FERC issued an order approving certain incentive rate treatments and conditionally accepting the formula transmission rate for Transource Missouri, subject to the outcome of an administrative hearing or settlement expected during 2013. Following approvals from FERC and the MPSC, KCP&L and GMO must also seek approval from the SPP to novate the projects to Transource Missouri. The SPP will then submit its approval of the novation to FERC for final approval. Great Plains Energy expects that final approval will be obtained so that the projects can be transferred by the fourth quarter of 2013.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

See Note 10 to the consolidated financial statements for additional information regarding environmental matters.

### RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

See Note 12 to the consolidated financial statements for information regarding related party transactions.

### **GREAT PLAINS ENERGY RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following table summarizes Great Plains Energy's comparative results of operations.

	Three Mor Septen	 	Year to Date September 3			
	2012	2011		2012		2011
		(mil	lions)			
Operating revenues	\$ 746.2	\$ 773.7	\$	1,829.5	\$	1,831.7
Fuel	(164.7)	(146.5)		(422.1)		(365.8)
Purchased power	(17.9)	(68.1)		(69.5)		(178.4)
Transmission of electricity by others	 (9.8)	(8.6)		(25.9)		(23.1)
Gross margin (a)	 553.8	550.5		1,312.0		1,264.4
Other operating expenses	(207.9)	(221.9)		(631.8)		(626.3)
Voluntary separation program	_	_		_		(12.7)
Depreciation and amortization	 (68.9)	(65.9)		(204.2)		(205.9)
Operating income	277.0	262.7		476.0		419.5
Non-operating income and expenses	0.2	0.1		(4.9)		(0.5)
Interest charges	(48.1)	(60.8)		(170.8)		(156.0)
Income tax expense	(82.6)	(75.4)		(104.9)		(90.6)
Loss from equity investments	 (0.1)	_		(0.2)		(0.1)
Net income	146.4	126.6		195.2		172.3
Less: Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	(0.2)	(0.1)		_		_
Net income attributable to Great Plains Energy	 146.2	126.5		195.2		172.3
Preferred dividends	(0.4)	(0.4)		(1.2)		(1.2)
Earnings available for common shareholders	\$ 145.8	\$ 126.1	\$	194.0	\$	171.1

<sup>(</sup>a) Gross margin is a non-GAAP financial measure. See explanation of gross margin below.

### Three Months Ended September 30, 2012 Compared to September 30, 2011

Great Plains Energy's earnings available for common shareholders for the three months ended September 30, 2012, increased to \$145.8 million or \$0.95 per share from \$126.1 million or \$0.91 per share for the same period in 2011.

Electric utility's net income increased \$8.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 driven by favorable weather, with a 6% increase in cooling degree days, and the three months ended September 30, 2011, included the impact from flooding along the Missouri River, which decreased gross margin by an estimated \$16 million due to coal conservation and increased other operating expenses \$3.4 million. These increases were partially offset by a decrease in weather-normalized retail demand.

Great Plains Energy's corporate and other activities had earnings of \$3.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012, compared to a loss of \$7.8 million for the same period in 2011 primarily due to a \$2.1 million decrease in after-tax interest expense as a result of lower interest rate debt, a \$1.6 million decrease in after-tax interest expense related to the release of uncertain tax positions, and a \$1.5 million increase in income tax benefits relating to the release of uncertain tax positions. In addition, the three months ended September 30, 2011, included expenses of \$2.3 million from the resolution of certain general tax related matters.

# Year to Date September 30, 2012 Compared to September 30, 2011

Great Plains Energy's earnings available for common shareholders year to date September 30, 2012, increased to \$194.0 million or \$1.34 per share from \$171.1 million or \$1.24 per share for the same period in 2011.

Electric utility's net income increased \$20.3 million year to date September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 driven by:

- new retail rates in Missouri effective May 4, 2011, for KCP&L and June 25, 2011, for GMO;
- favorable weather, with a 16% increase in cooling degree days partially offset by the impact of unfavorable weather during the first quarter of 2012; and
- year to date September 30, 2011, included:
  - the impact from flooding along the Missouri River, which decreased gross margin by an estimated \$16 million due to coal conservation and increased other operating expenses \$3.4 million;
  - an estimated \$11 million impact from an extended refueling outage at Wolf Creek;
  - \$12.7 million of expense relating to a voluntary separation program; and
  - a \$2.3 million loss relating to the impact of disallowed construction costs for the Iatan No. 1 environmental project and Iatan No. 2 and \$3.9 million of expenses related to other accounting effects of the KCP&L and GMO 2011 MPSC rate orders.

These increases were partially offset by:

- · a decrease in weather-normalized retail demand;
- an estimated \$20 million impact at Wolf Creek due to an unplanned outage in the first quarter of 2012, increased amortization from the 2011 extended refueling outage and increased other operating expenses; and
- a \$24.7 million increase in interest expense primarily due to the deferral to a regulatory asset of \$22.1 million of Iatan Nos. 1, 2 and common facilities construction accounting carrying costs during 2011, partially offset by a \$5.3 million decrease related to GMO's \$500.0 million 11.875% Senior Notes, which were repaid at maturity in July 2012.

Great Plains Energy's corporate and other activities loss decreased \$2.6 million year to date September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to a \$1.6 million decrease in after-tax interest expense related to the release of uncertain tax positions and expenses of \$2.3 million included in the three months ended

September 30, 2011, related to the resolution of certain general tax related matters. These decreases were partially offset by a \$1.8 million after-tax loss on the sale of real estate property in 2012 and a \$2.2 million tax benefit in 2011 from the reversal of tax valuation allowances.

### **Gross Margin**

Gross margin is a financial measure that is not calculated in accordance with GAAP. Gross margin, as used by Great Plains Energy and KCP&L, is defined as operating revenues less fuel, purchased power and transmission of electricity by others. Expenses for fuel, purchased power and transmission of electricity by others, offset by wholesale sales margin, are subject to recovery through cost adjustment mechanisms, except for KCP&L's Missouri retail operations. As a result, operating revenues increase or decrease in relation to a significant portion of these expenses. Management believes that gross margin provides a more meaningful basis for evaluating electric utility's operations across periods than operating revenues because gross margin excludes the revenue effect of fluctuations in these expenses. Gross margin is used internally to measure performance against budget and in reports for management and the Board. The Companies' definition of gross margin may differ from similar terms used by other companies.

## **ELECTRIC UTILITY RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following table summarizes the electric utility segment results of operations.

	Three Months Ended September 30				Year to Date September 30			
		2012		2011		2012		2011
				(millions)				
Operating revenues	\$	746.2	\$	773.7	\$	1,829.5	\$	1,831.7
Fuel		(164.7)		(146.5)		(422.1)		(365.8)
Purchased power		(17.9)		(68.1)		(69.5)		(178.4)
Transmission of electricity by others		(9.8)		(8.6)		(25.9)		(23.1)
Gross margin (a)		553.8		550.5		1,312.0		1,264.4
Other operating expenses		(207.6)		(218.2)		(623.8)		(620.8)
Voluntary separation program		_		_		_		(12.7)
Depreciation and amortization		(68.9)		(65.9)		(204.2)		(205.9)
Operating income		277.3		266.4		484.0		425.0
Non-operating income and expenses		(0.5)		0.6		(3.7)		(0.5)
Interest charges		(48.4)		(50.2)		(149.5)		(124.8)
Income tax expense		(86.5)		(82.9)		(120.6)		(109.8)
Net income	\$	141.9	\$	133.9	\$	210.2	\$	189.9

<sup>(</sup>a) Gross margin is a non-GAAP financial measure. See explanation of gross margin under Great Plains Energy's Results of Operations.

### **Electric Utility Gross Margin and MWh Sales**

The following tables summarize electric utility's gross margin and MWhs sold.

	Revenue	s and (	Costs	%	MWhs	%	
Three Months Ended September 30	2012		2011	Change	2012	2011	Change
Retail revenues	(mi	llions)			(thousands)		
Residential	\$ 358.5	\$	354.3	1	2,999	3,018	(1)
Commercial	272.8		271.2	1	2,934	2,990	(2)
Industrial	54.9		57.9	(5)	791	828	(5)
Other retail revenues	4.9		5.1	(1)	29	29	_
Kansas property tax surcharge	1.7		_	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fuel recovery mechanism	10.5		32.2	(67)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total retail	703.3		720.7	(2)	6,753	6,865	(2)
Wholesale revenues	31.8		41.9	(24)	1,429	1,206	19
Other revenues	11.1		11.1	_	N/A	N/A	N/A
Operating revenues	746.2		773.7	(4)	8,182	8,071	<b>-</b> 1
Fuel	(164.7)		(146.5)	12			
Purchased power	(17.9)		(68.1)	(74)			
Transmission of electricity by others	(9.8)		(8.6)	14			
Gross margin (a)	\$ 553.8	\$	550.5	1			

<sup>(</sup>a) Gross margin is a non-GAAP financial measure. See explanation of gross margin under Great Plains Energy's Results of Operations.

	Revenue	s and	Costs	%	MWhs	%	
Year to Date September 30	2012		2011	Change	2012 2011		Change
Retail revenues	(mi	illions)			(thousa		
Residential	\$ 785.3	\$	773.0	2	7,115	7,431	(4)
Commercial	704.1		676.4	4	8,187	8,209	_
Industrial	153.1		149.6	2	2,401	2,422	(1)
Other retail revenues	14.8		14.4	3	89	88	1
Kansas property tax surcharge	4.6		_	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fuel recovery mechanism	20.7		63.8	(68)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total retail	1,682.6		1,677.2		17,792	18,150	(2)
Wholesale revenues	114.0		121.0	(6)	4,708	3,595	31
Other revenues	32.9		33.5	(2)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Operating revenues	1,829.5		1,831.7	_	22,500	21,745	3
Fuel	(422.1)		(365.8)	15			
Purchased power	(69.5)		(178.4)	(61)			
Transmission of electricity by others	(25.9)		(23.1)	12			
Gross margin (a)	\$ 1,312.0	\$	1,264.4	4			

<sup>(</sup>a) Gross margin is a non-GAAP financial measure. See explanation of gross margin under Great Plains Energy's Results of Operations.

Electric utility's gross margin increased \$3.3 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to favorable weather, with a 6% increase in cooling degree days, and the three months ended September 30, 2011, included the impact from flooding along the Missouri River, which decreased gross margin by an estimated \$16 million due to coal conservation. These increases were mostly offset by a decrease in weather-normalized retail demand.

Electric utility's gross margin increased \$47.6 million year to date September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to:

new retail rates in Missouri effective May 4, 2011, for KCP&L and June 25, 2011, for GMO;

- favorable weather, with a 16% increase in cooling degree days partially offset by the impact of unfavorable weather during the first quarter of 2012; and
- year to date September 30, 2011, included an estimated \$11 million impact from an extended refueling outage at Wolf Creek and the impact from flooding along the Missouri River, which decreased gross margin by an estimated \$16 million due to coal conservation.

These increases were partially offset by a decrease in weather-normalized retail demand and an estimated \$4 million impact from an unplanned outage at Wolf Creek in the first quarter of 2012.

#### Electric Utility Other Operating Expenses (including utility operating and maintenance expenses, general taxes and other)

Electric utility's other operating expenses decreased \$10.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to fewer plant outages in 2012 and \$3.4 million of expenses related to the impact of flooding in 2011.

Electric utility's other operating expenses increased \$3.0 million year to date September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to:

- a \$15.9 million increase in operating and maintenance expenses at Wolf Creek driven by \$4.7 million of additional amortization from the 2011 extended refueling outage, along with other increased operating and maintenance expenses including an unplanned outage in the first quarter of 2012; and
- an \$8.7 million increase in general taxes driven by increased property taxes.

These increases were mostly offset by:

- a \$9.4 million decrease in plant operating and maintenance expenses primarily due to planned plant outages, other than at Wolf Creek, in 2011 with longer durations than in 2012;
- the deferral to a regulatory asset of \$3.0 million relating to solar rebates provided to customers for recovery in future rates; and
- year to date September 30, 2011, included \$3.4 million of expenses related to the impact of flooding, a \$2.3 million loss related to the impact of disallowed construction costs for the Iatan No. 1 environmental project and Iatan No. 2 and \$3.9 million of expenses related to other accounting effects of the KCP&L and GMO 2011 MPSC rate orders.

### **Electric Utility Voluntary Separation Program**

In 2011, Great Plains Energy executed an organizational realignment and voluntary separation program to assist in the management of overall costs within the level reflected in the Company's retail electric rates and to enhance organizational efficiency. Electric utility recorded expense of \$12.7 million year to date September 30, 2011, related to this voluntary separation program reflecting severance and related payroll taxes provided by the Company to employees who elected to voluntarily separate from the Company.

# **Electric Utility Depreciation and Amortization**

Electric utility's depreciation and amortization costs increased \$3.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012, primarily due to increased depreciation expense for capital additions.

Electric utility's depreciation and amortization costs decreased \$1.7 million year to date September 30, 2012, primarily due to \$14.1 million of lower regulatory amortization for KCP&L in Missouri compared to the same period in 2011, which was in effect during KCP&L's Comprehensive Energy Plan but concluded following the May 2011 effective date of new retail rates for KCP&L in Missouri. This decrease was mostly offset by \$6.3 million of depreciation for Iatan No. 2 (Missouri jurisdiction only) and increased depreciation expense for other capital additions.

### **Electric Utility Interest Charges**

Electric utility's interest charges increased \$24.7 million year to date September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to the deferral to a regulatory asset of \$22.1 million of construction accounting carrying costs for Iatan Nos. 1, 2 and common facilities in 2011 partially offset by a \$5.3 million decrease related to GMO's \$500.0 million 11.875% Senior Notes, which were repaid at maturity in July 2012.

### **Electric Utility Income Tax Expense**

Electric utility's income tax expense increased \$3.6 million and \$10.8 million for the three months ended and year to date September 30, 2012, respectively, compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to increased pre-tax income.

### GREAT PLAINS ENERGY SIGNIFICANT BALANCE SHEET CHANGES

(September 30, 2012 compared to December 31, 2011)

- Great Plains Energy's accounts receivable pledged as collateral and collateralized note payable increased \$95.0 million due to a \$15 million increase in KCP&L's sale of accounts receivable and GMO's \$80 million sale of accounts receivable, which are accounted for as secured borrowings.
- Great Plains Energy's deferred income taxes current assets increased \$108.8 million primarily due to the reclassification from deferred income taxes deferred credits and other liabilities of \$101.1 million of deferred tax assets relating to net operating losses driven by the expected timing of their utilization.
- Great Plains Energy's construction work in progress increased \$180.1 million primarily due to environmental upgrades at KCP&L's La Cygne Station.
- Great Plains Energy's commercial paper increased \$160.0 million primarily due to borrowings for the repayment of GMO's \$500.0 million 11.875% Senior Notes at maturity in July 2012.
- Great Plains Energy's current maturities of long-term debt decreased \$544.3 million primarily due to the repayment of GMO's \$500.0 million 11.875% Senior Notes at maturity in July 2012.
- Great Plains Energy's accounts payable decreased \$53.2 million primarily due to the timing of cash payments.
- Great Plains Energy's accrued taxes increased \$71.7 million primarily due to the timing of property tax payments.
- Great Plains Energy's deferred income taxes deferred credits and other liabilities increased \$225.5 million primarily due to the reclassification to deferred income taxes current assets of \$101.1 million of deferred tax assets relating to net operating losses driven by the expected timing of their utilization and an increase in temporary differences mostly as a result of bonus depreciation.

### **CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS AND LIQUIDITY**

Great Plains Energy operates through its subsidiaries and has no material assets other than the stock of its subsidiaries. Great Plains Energy's ability to make payments on its debt securities and its ability to pay dividends are dependent on its receipt of dividends or other distributions from its subsidiaries, proceeds from the issuance of its securities and borrowing under its revolving credit facility.

Great Plains Energy's capital requirements are principally comprised of debt maturities and electric utility's construction and other capital expenditures. These items as well as additional cash and capital requirements are discussed below.

Great Plains Energy's liquid resources at September 30, 2012, consisted of \$6.9 million of cash and cash equivalents on hand and \$761.2 million of unused bank lines of credit. The unused lines consisted of \$167.2 million from Great Plains Energy's revolving credit facility, \$330.1 million from KCP&L's credit facilities and \$263.9 million from GMO's credit facilities. See Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements for more information on these credit

facilities. Generally, Great Plains Energy uses these liquid resources to meet its day-to-day cash flow requirements, and from time to time issues equity and/or long-term debt to repay short-term debt or increase cash balances.

Great Plains Energy intends to meet day-to-day cash flow requirements including interest payments, retirement of maturing debt, construction requirements, dividends and pension benefit plan funding requirements with a combination of internally generated funds and proceeds from the issuance of equity securities, equity-linked securities and/or short-term and long-term debt. Great Plains Energy's intention to meet a portion of these requirements with internally generated funds may be impacted by the effect of inflation on operating expenses, the level of MWh sales, regulatory actions, compliance with environmental regulations and the availability of generating units. In addition, Great Plains Energy may issue equity, equity-linked securities and/or debt to finance growth.

### **Cash Flows from Operating Activities**

The \$118.8 million increase in cash flows from operating activities for Great Plains Energy year to date September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 is primarily due to an increase in net income, the payment in 2011 of \$26.1 million for the settlement of forward starting swaps upon the issuance of \$350.0 million of 4.85% Senior Notes in May 2011 and a decrease in deferred refueling outage costs. Other changes in working capital are detailed in Note 2 to the consolidated financial statements. The individual components of working capital vary with normal business cycles and operations.

#### **Cash Flows from Investing Activities**

Great Plains Energy's cash used for investing activities varies with the timing of utility capital expenditures and purchases of investments and nonutility property. Investing activities are offset by proceeds from the sale of properties and insurance recoveries.

Great Plains Energy's utility capital expenditures increased \$91.7 million year to date September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 due to an increase in cash utility capital expenditures primarily related to environmental upgrades at KCP&L's La Cygne Station.

#### **Cash Flows from Financing Activities**

In June 2012, Great Plains Energy settled the obligations under the purchase contracts underlying its 5.7 million outstanding Equity Units by issuing approximately 17.1 million shares of its common stock in exchange for \$287.4 million in cash proceeds which Great Plains Energy used to make an intercompany loan to GMO. GMO used the proceeds from the intercompany loan along with increased short-term borrowings to repay its \$500 million 11.875% Senior Notes at maturity in July 2012.

Great Plains Energy's cash flows from financing activities year to date September 30, 2012 also reflect repayment of KCP&L's \$12.4 million of 4.00% EIRR bonds at maturity in January 2012.

Great Plains Energy's cash flows from financing activities year to date September 30, 2011, reflect the issuance, at a discount, of \$350.0 million of 4.85% Senior Notes that mature in 2021. Great Plains Energy used the proceeds to make a ten-year intercompany loan to GMO with GMO using the proceeds to repay \$137.3 million of 7.95% Senior Notes and \$197.0 million of 7.75% Senior Notes at maturity. Also reflected is KCP&L's issuance, at a discount, of \$400.0 million of 5.30% Senior Notes that mature in 2041. KCP&L used a portion of the proceeds to repay short-term borrowings.

# **Financing Authorization**

Under stipulations with the MPSC and KCC, Great Plains Energy and KCP&L maintain common equity at not less than 30% and 35%, respectively, of total capitalization (including only the amount of short-term debt in excess of the amount of construction work in progress). KCP&L's long-term financing activities are subject to the authorization of the MPSC. In February 2012, the MPSC authorized KCP&L to issue up to \$300.0 million of long-term debt and to enter into interest rate hedging instruments in connection with such debt through December 31, 2013. KCP&L has not utilized any of this authorization.

In December 2010, FERC authorized KCP&L to have outstanding at any time up to a total of \$1.0 billion in short-term debt instruments through December 2012, conditioned on KCP&L's borrowing costs not exceeding the greater of: (i) 4.25% over LIBOR; (ii) the greater of 2.25% over the prime rate, 2.75% over the federal funds rate, and 3.25% over LIBOR; or (iii) 4.25% over the A2/P-2 nonfinancial commercial paper rate most recently published by the Federal Reserve at the time of the borrowing. The authorization is subject to four restrictions: (i) proceeds of debt backed by utility assets must be used for utility purposes; (ii) if any utility assets that secure authorized debt are divested or spun off, the debt must follow the assets and also be divested or spun off; (iii) if any proceeds of the authorized debt are used for non-utility purposes, the debt must follow the non-utility assets (specifically, if the non-utility assets are divested or spun off, then a proportionate share of the debt must follow the divested or spun off non-utility assets); and (iv) if utility assets financed by the authorized short-term debt are divested or spun off to another entity, a proportionate share of the debt must also be divested or spun off. At September 30, 2012, there was \$744.0 million available under this authorization.

In October 2012, FERC authorized KCP&L to have outstanding at any time up to a total of \$1.0 billion in short-term debt instruments from December 2012 through December 2014, conditioned on KCP&L's borrowing costs not exceeding the greater of: (i) 2.25% over LIBOR; (ii) the greater of 1.25% over the prime rate, 1.75% over the federal funds rate, and 2.25% over LIBOR; or (iii) 2.25% over the A2/P-2 nonfinancial commercial paper rate most recently published by the Federal Reserve at the time of the borrowing. The authorization is subject to the same four restrictions as the currently effective KCP&L FERC short-term authorization discussed in the preceeding paragraph.

In January 2012, FERC authorized GMO to have outstanding at any time up to a total of \$750.0 million in short-term debt instruments through March 2014, conditioned on GMO's borrowing costs not exceeding the greater of 2.25% over LIBOR or 1.75% over the prime rate or federal funds rate, as applicable, and subject to the same four restrictions as the KCP&L FERC short-term authorization discussed in the preceding paragraph. At September 30, 2012, there was \$579.0 million available under this authorization.

In November 2011, FERC authorized GMO to issue up to a total of \$850.0 million of long-term debt through December 2013. At September 30, 2012, there was \$562.5 million available under this authorization.

KCP&L and GMO are also authorized by FERC to participate in the Great Plains Energy money pool, an internal financing arrangement in which funds may be lent on a short-term basis to KCP&L and GMO. At September 30, 2012, KCP&L had an outstanding payable under the money pool of \$4.4 million to Great Plains Energy.

## **Debt Agreements**

See Note 8 to the consolidated financial statements for discussion of revolving credit facilities.

#### Pensions

The Company maintains defined benefit plans for substantially all active and inactive employees of KCP&L, GMO and WCNOC and incurs significant costs in providing the plans. Funding of the plans follows legal and regulatory requirements with funding equaling or exceeding the minimum requirements of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA).

On July 6, 2012, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) was signed into federal law. The new law contains provisions offering funding relief for defined benefit plans by stabilizing interest rates used in determining minimum required ERISA contributions. Year to date September 30, 2012, Great Plains Energy contributed \$46.8 million to the pension plans. Great Plains Energy's estimate of additional contributions in 2012 is approximately \$18.6 million to satisfy minimum ERISA funding requirements and the MPSC and KCC rate orders, the majority of which is expected to be paid by KCP&L.

Additionally, the Company provides post-retirement health and life insurance benefits for certain retired employees and expects to make benefit contributions of \$17.3 million under the provisions of these plans in 2012, with the majority paid by KCP&L.

Management believes the Company has adequate access to capital resources through cash flows from operations or through existing lines of credit to support these funding requirements.

# KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

## **MANAGEMENT'S NARRATIVE ANALYSIS OF RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

The following table summarizes KCP&L's consolidated comparative results of operations.

	Three Months Ended September 30				Year t Septen		
	2012		2011		2012		2011
			(mil	lions)			
Operating revenues	\$ 508.0	\$	506.3	\$	1,244.1	\$	1,220.5
Fuel	(114.5)		(99.3)		(297.8)		(249.0)
Purchased power	(10.1)		(24.9)		(23.7)		(66.7)
Transmission of electricity by others	(6.3)		(5.7)		(17.4)		(14.2)
Gross margin (a)	377.1		376.4		905.2		890.6
Other operating expenses	(152.4)		(161.8)		(457.3)		(460.9)
Voluntary separation program	_		_		_		(9.2)
Depreciation and amortization	(46.9)		(45.4)		(138.6)		(147.0)
Operating income	177.8		169.2		309.3		273.5
Non-operating income and expenses	(0.3)		(0.2)		(2.4)		(1.6)
Interest charges	(32.4)		(30.8)		(96.1)		(81.2)
Income tax expense	(54.9)		(52.8)		(74.6)		(67.9)
Net income	\$ 90.2	\$	85.4	\$	136.2	\$	122.8

<sup>(</sup>a) Gross margin is a non-GAAP financial measure. See explanation of gross margin under Great Plains Energy's Results of Operations.

## KCP&L Gross Margin and MWh Sales

The following tables summarize KCP&L's gross margin and MWhs sold.

	Revenues	s and (	Costs	%	MWhs	% Change	
Three Months Ended September 30	2012		2011	Change	2012		
Retail revenues	(mil	llions)			(thousa		
Residential	\$ 225.4	\$	222.5	1	1,875	1,884	(1)
Commercial	192.7		191.8	_	2,062	2,113	(2)
Industrial	31.2		34.4	(9)	452	488	(8)
Other retail revenues	3.1		3.2	(2)	22	22	_
Kansas property tax surcharge	1.7		_	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fuel recovery mechanism	0.4		13.8	(97)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total retail	454.5		465.7	(2)	4,411	4,507	(2)
Wholesale revenues	48.2		35.5	36	2,011	1,081	86
Other revenues	5.3		5.1	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Operating revenues	508.0		506.3	_	6,422	5,588	<b>1</b> 5
Fuel	(114.5)		(99.3)	15			
Purchased power	(10.1)		(24.9)	(59)			
Transmission of electricity by others	(6.3)		(5.7)	12			
Gross margin (a)	\$ 377.1	\$	376.4				

<sup>(</sup>a) Gross margin is a non-GAAP financial measure. See explanation of gross margin under Great Plains Energy's Results of Operations.

		Revenue	s and	Costs	%	MWhs	%	
Year to Date September 30		<b>2012</b> (mill		2011	Change	2012 2011		Change
Retail revenues						(thousa		
Residential	\$	485.7	\$	481.3	1	4,363	4,517	(3)
Commercial		503.4		488.1	3	5,753	5,802	(1)
Industrial		90.6		92.1	(2)	1,385	1,428	(3)
Other retail revenues		9.4		9.3	1	66	65	1
Kansas property tax surcharge		4.6		_	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Fuel recovery mechanism		9.4		26.0	(64)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total retail		1,103.1		1,096.8	1	11,567	11,812	(2)
Wholesale revenues		126.9		109.5	16	5,156	3,317	55
Other revenues		14.1		14.2	(1)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Operating revenues		1,244.1		1,220.5	2	16,723	15,129	11
Fuel		(297.8)		(249.0)	20			
Purchased power		(23.7)		(66.7)	(64)			
Transmission of electricity by others		(17.4)		(14.2)	23			
Gross margin (a)	\$	905.2	\$	890.6	2			

<sup>(</sup>a) Gross margin is a non-GAAP financial measure. See explanation of gross margin under Great Plains Energy's Results of Operations.

KCP&L's gross margin increased \$0.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to favorable weather, with a 6% increase in cooling degree days, and the three months ended September 30, 2011, included the impact from flooding along the Missouri River, which decreased gross margin by an estimated \$16 million due to coal conservation. These increases were mostly offset by a decrease in weather-normalized retail demand.

KCP&L's gross margin increased \$14.6 million year to date September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to:

- new retail rates in Missouri effective May 4, 2011;
- favorable weather, with a 16% increase in cooling degree days partially offset by the impact of unfavorable weather during the first quarter of 2012; and
- year to date September 30, 2011, included an estimated \$11 million impact from an extended refueling outage at Wolf Creek and the impact from flooding along the Missouri River, which decreased gross margin by an estimated \$16 million due to coal conservation.

These increases were partially offset by a decrease in weather-normalized retail demand and an estimated \$4 million impact from an unplanned outage at Wolf Creek in the first quarter of 2012.

### KCP&L Other Operating Expenses (including operating and maintenance expenses, general taxes and other)

KCP&L's other operating expenses decreased \$3.6 million year to date September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to:

- an \$8.1 million decrease in plant operating and maintenance expenses primarily due to planned plant outages, other than at Wolf Creek, in 2011 with longer durations than in 2012;
- the deferral to a regulatory asset of \$1.6 million relating to solar rebates provided to customers for recovery in future rates; and
- year to date September 30, 2011, included \$3.2 million of expenses related to the impact of flooding, a \$1.5 million loss related to the impact of disallowed construction costs for the Iatan No. 1 environmental project and Iatan No. 2 and \$2.4 million of expenses related to other accounting effects of the KCP&L and GMO 2011 MPSC rate orders.

These decreases were partially offset by a \$15.9 million increase in operating and maintenance expenses at Wolf Creek driven by \$4.7 million of additional amortization from the 2011 extended refueling outage, along with increased other operating and maintenance expenses including an unplanned outage in the first quarter of 2012.

# **KCP&L Voluntary Separation Program**

KCP&L recorded expense of \$9.2 million year to date September 30, 2011 related to the voluntary separation program reflecting severance and related payroll taxes provided by KCP&L to employees who elected to voluntarily separate from KCP&L.

### KCP&L Depreciation and Amortization

KCP&L's depreciation and amortization costs decreased \$8.4 million year to date September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 due to \$14.1 million of lower regulatory amortization for KCP&L in Missouri, which was in effect during KCP&L's Comprehensive Energy Plan but concluded following the May 2011 effective date of new retail rates for KCP&L in Missouri. This decrease was partially offset by \$2.9 million of depreciation for Iatan No. 2 (Missouri jurisdiction only) and increased depreciation expense for other capital additions.

### **KCP&L Interest Charges**

KCP&L's interest charges increased \$14.9 million year to date September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to the deferral to a regulatory asset of \$10.7 million of construction accounting carrying costs for Iatan Nos. 1, 2 and common facilities during 2011.

### **KCP&L Income Tax Expense**

KCP&L's income tax expense increased \$6.7 million year to date September 30, 2012, compared to the same period in 2011 primarily due to increased pre-tax income.

### ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Great Plains Energy and KCP&L are exposed to market risks associated with commodity price and supply, interest rates and equity prices. Market risks are handled in accordance with established policies, which may include entering into various derivative transactions. In the normal course of business, Great Plains Energy and KCP&L also face risks that are either non-financial or non-quantifiable. Such risks principally include business, legal, regulatory, operational and credit risks and are discussed elsewhere in this document as well as in the 2011 Form 10-K and therefore are not represented here.

Great Plains Energy's and KCP&L's interim period disclosures about market risk included in quarterly reports on Form 10-Q address material changes, if any, from the most recently filed annual report on Form 10-K. Therefore, these interim period disclosures should be read in connection with Item 7A Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk included in the 2011 Form 10-K of each of Great Plains Energy and KCP&L, incorporated herein by reference.

MPS Merchant is exposed to credit risk. Credit risk is measured by the loss that would be recorded if counterparties failed to perform pursuant to the terms of the contractual obligations less the value of any collateral held. MPS Merchant's counterparties are not externally rated. Credit exposure to counterparties at September 30, 2012 was \$19.7 million.

### ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

#### **GREAT PLAINS ENERGY**

#### **Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

Great Plains Energy carried out an evaluation of its disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) or 15d-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act)). This evaluation was conducted under the supervision, and with the participation, of Great Plains Energy's management, including the chief executive officer and chief financial officer, and Great Plains Energy's disclosure committee. Based upon this evaluation, the chief executive officer and chief financial officer of Great Plains Energy have concluded as of the end of the period covered by this report that the disclosure controls and procedures of Great Plains Energy were effective at a reasonable assurance level.

## **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There has been no change in Great Plains Energy's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act) that occurred during the quarterly period ended September 30, 2012, that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, its internal control over financial reporting.

### KCP&L

# **Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

KCP&L carried out an evaluation of its disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) or 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act). This evaluation was conducted under the supervision, and with the participation, of KCP&L's management, including the chief executive officer and chief financial officer, and KCP&L's disclosure committee. Based upon this evaluation, the chief executive officer and chief financial officer of KCP&L have concluded as of the end of the period covered by this report that the disclosure controls and procedures of KCP&L were effective at a reasonable assurance level.

### **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There has been no change in KCP&L's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Exchange Act) that occurred during the quarterly period ended September 30, 2012, that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, its internal control over financial reporting.

### PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

### ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

### **Other Proceedings**

The Companies are parties to various lawsuits and regulatory proceedings in the ordinary course of their respective businesses. For information regarding material lawsuits and proceedings, see Notes 5, 10 and 11 to the consolidated financial statements. Such information is incorporated herein by reference.

## ITEM 1A. RISK FACTORS

Actual results in future periods for Great Plains Energy and KCP&L could differ materially from historical results and the forward-looking statements contained in this report. The Companies' business is influenced by many factors that are difficult to predict, involve uncertainties that may materially affect actual results and are often beyond their control. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known or that the Companies' management currently believes to be immaterial may also adversely affect the Companies. Factors that might cause or contribute to such differences include, but are not limited to, those discussed in Item 1A Risk Factors included in the 2011 Form 10-K for each of Great Plains Energy and KCP&L. There have been no material changes with regard to those risk factors. This information, as well as the other information included in this report and in the other documents filed with the SEC, should be carefully considered before making an investment in the securities of Great Plains Energy or KCP&L. Risk factors of KCP&L are also risk factors of Great Plains Energy.

# ITEM 2. UNREGISTERED SALES OF EQUITY SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

The following table provides information regarding purchases by Great Plains Energy of its equity securities during the three months ended September 30, 2012.

	Issuer Puro	chases of E	quity Securities		
Month	Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased	U	Price Paid per e (or Unit)	Total Number of Shares (or Units) Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs	Maximum Number (or Approximate Dollar Value) of Shares (or Units) that May Yet Be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs
July 1 - 31	_	\$	_	_	N/A
August 1 - 31	8,142 (1)		19.02	_	N/A
September 1 - 30	10,611 (1)(2)		19.28	_	N/A
Total	18.753	\$	19 17		N/A

<sup>(1)</sup> Represents common shares surrendered to the Company following the resignation of a certain officer.

#### ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES

None.

# ITEM 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

#### ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION

None.

<sup>(2)</sup> Represents common shares surrendered to the Company to pay taxes related to the vesting of restricted common shares.

### **ITEM 6. EXHIBITS**

Exhibit <u>Number</u>		Description of Document	Registrant
12.1		Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.	Great Plains Energy
12.2		Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges.	KCP&L
31.1		Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Terry Bassham.	Great Plains Energy
31.2		Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of James C. Shay.	Great Plains Energy
31.3		Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of Terry Bassham.	KCP&L
31.4		Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification of James C. Shay.	KCP&L
32.1	*	Section 1350 Certifications.	Great Plains Energy
32.2	*	Section 1350 Certifications.	KCP&L
101.INS		XBRL Instance Document.	Great Plains Energy KCP&L
101.SCH		XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document.	Great Plains Energy KCP&L
101.CAL		XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document.	Great Plains Energy KCP&L
101.DEF		XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document.	Great Plains Energy KCP&L
101.LAB		XBRL Taxonomy Extension Labels Linkbase Document.	Great Plains Energy KCP&L
101.PRE		XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document.	Great Plains Energy KCP&L

<sup>\*</sup> Furnished and shall not be deemed filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act). Such document shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Exchange Act or the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless otherwise indicated in such registration statement or other document.

Copies of any of the exhibits filed with the SEC in connection with this document may be obtained from Great Plains Energy or KCP&L, as applicable, upon written request.

The registrants agree to furnish to the SEC upon request any instrument with respect to long-term debt as to which the total amount of securities authorized does not exceed 10% of total assets of such registrant and its subsidiaries on a consolidated basis.

## **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Great Plains Energy Incorporated and Kansas City Power & Light Company have duly caused this report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

# GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED

Dated: November 8, 2012 By: /s/ Terry Bassham

(Terry Bassham)

(Chief Executive Officer)

Dated: November 8, 2012 By: /s/ Lori A. Wright

(Lori A. Wright)

(Principal Accounting Officer)

# KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

November 8, 2012 By: <u>/s/ Terry Bassham</u>

(Terry Bassham)

(Chief Executive Officer)

Dated: November 8, 2012 By: /s/ Lori A. Wright

Dated:

(Lori A. Wright)

(Principal Accounting Officer)

# GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED

# COMPUTATION OF RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

Year to Date September 30

	Зер	September 30						
		2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	
				(millions)				
Income from continuing operations	\$	195.2	174.2	211.9	151.9	119.7	120.9	
Add								
Equity investment loss		0.2	0.1	1.0	0.4	1.3	2.0	
Income subtotal		195.4	174.3	212.9	152.3	121.0	122.9	
Add								
Income tax expense (benefit)		104.9	84.8	99.0	29.5	63.8	44.9	
Kansas City earnings tax		0.2	_	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.5	
Total taxes on income		105.1	84.8	99.1	29.9	64.1	45.4	
Interest on value of leased property		4.4	5.9	6.2	6.5	3.6	3.9	
Interest on long-term debt		165.7	223.2	218.9	203.6	126.2	74.1	
Interest on short-term debt		6.8	11.8	9.7	10.3	18.2	26.4	
Other interest expense and amortization (a)		2.6	11.6	9.7	4.7	(1.4)	5.8	
Total fixed charges		179.5	252.5	244.5	225.1	146.6	110.2	
Earnings before taxes on								
income and fixed charges	\$	480.0	\$ 511.6 \$	556.5 \$	407.3 \$	331.7 \$	278.5	
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges		2.67	2.03	2.28	1.81	2.26	2.53	

<sup>(</sup>a) On January 1, 2007, Great Plains Energy elected to make an accounting policy change to recognize interest related to uncertain tax positions in interest expense.

# KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

# COMPUTATION OF RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

Year to Date September 30

	Sepi	tember 30					
		2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
				(millions)			
Income from continuing operations	\$	136.2	135.5	163.2	128.9	125.2	156.7
Add							
Income tax expense		74.6	69.1	81.6	46.9	59.8	59.3
Kansas City earnings tax		0.2	_	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.5
Total taxes on income		74.8	69.1	81.7	47.1	60.3	59.8
Interest on value of leased property		4.0	5.4	5.7	6.0	3.3	3.9
Interest on long-term debt		92.6	118.5	117.9	110.4	79.3	54.5
Interest on short-term debt		3.4	5.1	3.9	5.3	15.2	20.3
Other interest expense and amortization (a)		2.6	5.8	4.2	0.3	1.4	6.8
Total fixed charges		102.6	134.8	131.7	122.0	99.2	85.5
Earnings before taxes on							
income and fixed charges	\$	313.6	\$ 339.4 \$	376.6 \$	298.0 \$	284.7 \$	302.0
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges		3.06	2.52	2.86	2.44	2.87	3.53

<sup>(</sup>a) On January 1, 2007, Kansas City Power & Light Company elected to make an accounting policy change to recognize interest related to uncertain tax positions in interest expense.

#### I, Terry Bassham, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Great Plains Energy Incorporated;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 8, 2012

/<u>s/ Terry Bassham</u>
Terry Bassham
Chief Executive Officer and President

#### I, James C. Shay, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Great Plains Energy Incorporated;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 8, 2012

/s/ James C. Shay

James C. Shay

Senior Vice President - Finance and Strategic Development and

Chief Financial Officer

#### I, Terry Bassham, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Kansas City Power & Light Company;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 8, 2012

/s/ Terry Bassham

Terry Bassham

Chief Executive Officer and President

#### I, James C. Shay, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Kansas City Power & Light Company;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
  - 5. The registrant's other certifying officer(s) and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
    - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
    - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: November 8, 2012

/s/ James C. Shay

James C. Shay

Senior Vice President - Finance and Strategic Development and

Chief Financial Officer

# Certification of CEO and CFO Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Great Plains Energy Incorporated (the "Company") for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2012, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), Terry Bassham, as Chief Executive Officer and President of the Company, and James C. Shay, as Senior Vice President - Finance and Strategic Development and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, each hereby certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of his knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Terry Bassham

Name: Terry Bassham

Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

Date: November 8, 2012

/s/ James C. Shay

Name: James C. Shay

Title: Senior Vice President - Finance and Strategic Development and Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 8, 2012

# Certification of CEO and CFO Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Kansas City Power & Light Company (the "Company") for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2012, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), Terry Bassham, as Chief Executive Officer and President of the Company, and James C. Shay, as Senior Vice President - Finance and Strategic Development and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, each hereby certifies, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that, to the best of his knowledge:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Terry Bassham

Name: Terry Bassham

Title: Chief Executive Officer and President

Date: November 8, 2012

/s/ James C. Shay

Name: James C. Shav

Title: Senior Vice President - Finance and Strategic Development and Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 8, 2012