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KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT RECEIVES UNSOLICITED PROPOSAL FROM WESTERN RESOURCES

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI (April 15, 1996) - Kansas City Power & Light Company (NYSE: KLT) announced, in response to Western Resources Inc.'s (NYSE: WR) unsolicited proposal to buy all of KCPL's outstanding shares, that the Company's Board of Directors will review Western Resources' proposal promptly.

KCPL advised its shareholders that the Company will inform them of any developments as they occur.