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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup><br>WRIGHT LORI A |         |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INC</u> [ GXP ] |       | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>Director 10% Owne |                     |  |  |  |
|---|---------|----------|---|-------|---|---------------------|--|--|--|
| ,   |         |          |   | x     | Officer (give title   | Other (specify      |  |  |  |
| (Last)  | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)                                      |       | below)  | below)              |  |  |  |
| C/O GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED                                  |         |          | 02/10/2012  |       | VP-Bus. Planning & Controller   |                     |  |  |  |
| 1200 MAIN STF   | REET    |          |   |       |   |                     |  |  |  |
|   |         |          | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                              |       | idual or Joint/Group Filin  | g (Check Applicable |  |  |  |
| (Street)  |         |          |   | Line) |   |                     |  |  |  |
| KANSAS CITY   | МО      | 64105    |   | X     | Form filed by One Rep   | orting Person       |  |  |  |
|   | MO      | 04105    |   |       | Form filed by More tha<br>Person  | n One Reporting     |  |  |  |
| (City)  | (State) | (Zip)    |   |       |   |                     |  |  |  |

## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   |          |               |         | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|---------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------|---|----------|---------------|---------|---|---|---|--|
|                                 |  |   | Code                         | v | Amount   | (A) or<br>(D) | Price   | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |   | (1150.4)  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 02/10/2012                                 |   | F                            |   | 1,725(1) | D             | \$20.77 | 29,618 <sup>(2)</sup>   | D   |   |  |
| Common Stock                    |  |   |                              |   |          |               |         | 152 <sup>(3)</sup>  | Ι   | 401(k)  |  |

## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code ( | Transaction of<br>Code (Instr. Derivative |     | Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |                     | ative<br>rities<br>ired<br>osed | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |  | 7. Title<br>Amour<br>Securi<br>Underl<br>Deriva<br>Securi<br>and 4) | nt of<br>ties<br>ying<br>tive<br>ty (Instr. 3 | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---|---|--|---|--------|---|-----|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|
|   |   |  |   | Code   | v   | (A) | (D)                               | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date              | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |   |   |  |  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Relinquished to the Company for withholding taxes incident to vesting of restricted stock on February 10, 2012.

2. Amount includes 387 shares acquired between August 11, 2011 and February 10, 2012, through participation in the Company's Dividend Reinvestment and Direct Stock Purchase Plan. 3. Amount includes 4 shares acquired between August 11, 2011 and February 10, 2012, from automatic payroll deduction/investment and participation in the Company's 401(k) Plan.

| Executed on behalf of Lori A. |            |
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| <u>Wright by Jaileah X.</u>   | 02/14/2012 |
| Huddleston, attorney-in-fact  |            |

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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