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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Person* MITCHELL JAMES A					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INC [GXP]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)		irst) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2009									X Direct Offic below	er (give title		Owner r (specify v)
(Street) KANSAS (City)	S CITY M		54106 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	e) <mark>X</mark> Forn	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable m filed by One Reporting Person m filed by More than One Reporting son		
		Tabl	e I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or I	Bene	ficial	ly Own	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transp Date (Month/L				Execution Da			Code (Instr.						Securi Benefi	cially I Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		() or ()	Price	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 02.				02/10)/2009	/2009			A		2,558 ⁽¹⁾ A		A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	12	2,948 ⁽²⁾	D	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	cise (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) ive		Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Date Date		Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		r. 3	J. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Director Shares issued under the Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- 2. Amount includes 645 shares acquired between February 6, 2008 and February 10, 2009, through participation in the Company's Dividend Reinvestment and Direct Stock Purchase Plan.

Remarks:

Executed on behalf of James A. Mitchell by Mark G. English, attorney-in-fact

02/12/2009

** 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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Barbara B. Curry, Mark G. English, and any individual who hereafter holds the offices of Secretary or Assistant Secretary of Great Plains Energy Incorporated (the "Company"), or any of them signing singly, and with full power of substitution, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC;
- (2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of the Company, Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the SEC and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 5th day of August, 2008.

/s/ James A. Mitchell

James A. Mitchell

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss.	
COUNTY OF JACKSON)

On this 5th day of August, in the year 2008, before me, Barbara P. Fillinger, a Notary Public in and for said state, personally appeared James A. Mitchell, known to me to be the person who executed the within Power of Attorney, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes therein stated.

BARBARA P. FILLINGER
Notary Public – Notary Seal
Comm. Number 08412713
STATE OF MISSOURI
Jackson County
My Commission Expires: Jun. 6, 2012

/s/ Barbara P. Fillinger Notary Public