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KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT AGAIN HONORED BY EEI; ASSISTANCE AWARD FOLLOWS TOP INDUSTRY ACCOLADE

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (January 9, 2008) — The Edison Electric Institute (EEI) today honored Kansas City Power & Light (KCP&L) as a winner of the association’s “Emergency Assistance Award” for outstanding efforts to assist fellow utilities in power restoration during 2007.

The award marks the second time in less than a year that KCP&L and its parent company, Great Plains Energy, have garnered recognition from EEI. Great Plains Energy this past June received the Edison Award in recognition of innovative leadership and operational excellence in the electricity industry, specifically the innovative approach demonstrated by KCP&L’s Comprehensive Energy Plan to meet the region’s growing demand for clean, affordable energy.

The “Emergency Assistance Award” is presented annually to U.S. and foreign-based member companies to recognize outstanding efforts in restoring electric service that has been disrupted by severe weather conditions or other natural events. Winners were chosen by a panel of judges following an international nomination process, and awards were presented during EEI’s winter CEO meetings here Wednesday.

KCP&L quickly mobilized and sent employees and equipment to outage events in Iowa, Illinois, Missouri and Oklahoma during 2007, helping restore electricity in the wake of damaging ice, wind and thunder storms. The company expended more than 24,000 employee hours in helping to get the lights back on for thousands of electric customers in the region.

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“Kansas City Power and Light responded quickly and effectively to several calls for help, and its employees worked tirelessly, often in hazardous conditions, to help restore power,” said EEI President Tom Kuhn. “The company’s response was in keeping with our industry’s unswerving tradition of helping fellow companies and their customers in times of need.”

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Edison Electric Institute (EEI) is the association of United States investor-owned electric utilities and industry affiliates and associates worldwide. Its domestic members generate approximately three-quarters of all the electricity generated by electric utilities in the country and serve about 70 percent of all ultimate customers in the nation.