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KCP&L Relocating Corporate Headquarters to One Kansas City Place

Renovations will create 'green' commercial office space

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – (Oct. 2, 2008) -- KCP&L, a subsidiary of Great Plains Energy (NYSE:GXP), today announced plans to relocate its corporate headquarters from its current location at 1201 Walnut Street to twelve floors at One Kansas City Place (southwest corner of 12th and Main). When KCP&L's space is completed next year, it will become one of the few "green" commercial offices in downtown Kansas City.

"Kansas City has served as KCP&L's home for the past 126 years," said Mike Chesser, chairman and CEO of KCP&L and Great Plains Energy. "By moving our corporate headquarters to One Kansas City Place, coupled with our recently announced plans to build a multi-purpose operations center in the Southern part of the city, we are renewing our commitment to Kansas City's growth, economic development and prosperity for the foreseeable future."

With the lease for 1201 Walnut expiring in September 2009, KCP&L has been evaluating office space alternatives to meet the company's growing employee base and provide a destination point for customers and the community. The company reviewed several options but chose One Kansas City Place for a number of reasons, including being the lowest cost option available. Over the twenty three year term of the lease, KCP&L expects to house more than 650 employees and contractors in nearly 300,000 square feet of office space in the new location.

KCP&L is partnering with Executive Hills Management Inc., BNIM Architects – a national leader in sustainable design – and 360 Architecture to make significant improvements to

the building, which will address the needs of employees and customers while helping to minimize the building's environmental impact.

Some of the features and amenities that are planned for the building include:

- **Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certification (on KCP&L occupied floors)** will lower operating costs, conserve energy and water, and, as a result, reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases.
- An interactive visitor's center, called **The Energy Center**, will be located on the ground level so customers and the downtown community can learn more about KCP&L's products and services, including those related to energy efficiency.
- A **high-tech conference and training center** will be available to business, community and educational groups.
- An **open workplace design** will create an environment that fosters employee collaboration and increases productivity.

"We are excited KCP&L has agreed to become our signature tenant," said Larry Bridges, managing principal of EHMD, LLC, the building owner and president of Executive Hills Management Inc., one of Kansas City's largest real estate developers. "It's fitting a company that plays such an important role in the growth and development of the communities they serve will occupy a building that has long been an icon on the Kansas City skyline. KCP&L has risen to a position of national prominence in the utility industry. We are very proud to be associated with KCP&L."

It is anticipated that KCP&L employees and contractors currently working at 1201 Walnut Street will occupy the new headquarters by the end of September 2009.

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About Great Plains Energy:

Headquartered in Kansas City, Mo., Great Plains Energy Incorporated (NYSE: GXP) is the holding company of Kansas City Power & Light Company and Aquila, Inc. (doing business as KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company), two of the leading regulated providers of electricity in the Midwest. Kansas City Power & Light and Aquila use KCP&L as a brand name. More information about the company is available on the Internet at: <http://www.greatplainsenergy.com>.