UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 12, 2018

| Commission File Number | Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter, State of Incorporation, Address of Principal Executive Offices and Telephone Number | I.R.S. Employer Identification No. |
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| 001-32206 | GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED | 43-1916803 |
| | (A Missouri Corporation) | |
| | 1200 Main Street | |
| | Kansas City, Missouri 64105 | |
| | (816) 556-2200 | |
| | NOT APPLICABLE | |
| | (Former name or former address, if changed since last report) | |
| 000-51873 | KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY | 44-0308720 |
| | (A Missouri Corporation) | |
| | 1200 Main Street | |
| | Kansas City, Missouri 64105 | |
| | (816) 556-2200 | |
| | NOT APPLICABLE | |
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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- [] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- [] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
 Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

This combined Current Report on Form 8-K is being provided by Great Plains Energy Incorporated ("Great Plains Energy") and Kansas City Power & Light Company ("KCP&L"). KCP&L is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Great Plains Energy and represents a significant portion of its assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and operations. Thus, all information contained in this report relates to, and is filed by, Great Plains Energy. Information that is specifically identified in this report as relating solely to Great Plains Energy does not relate to, and is not filed by, KCP&L. KCP&L makes no representation as to that information.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

As previously disclosed, on July 9, 2017, Great Plains Energy, Westar Energy, Inc., Monarch Energy Holding, Inc., and King Energy, Inc., entered into an Amended and Restated Agreement and Plan of Merger ("Agreement"). In connection with the proposed merger, on August 31, 2017, Westar Energy and Great Plains Energy filed a joint application with the Missouri Public Service Commission (the "MPSC") requesting approval of the transactions contemplated by the Agreement.

On January 12, 2018, Great Plains Energy, Westar, the MPSC staff and certain intervenors entered into a stipulation and agreement (the "Stipulation and Agreement") to settle certain issues related to the joint application. The Stipulation and Agreement is subject to review and approval by the MPSC. To access the Stipulation and Agreement, visit Great Plains Energy's investor relations website (www.greatplainsenergy.com) under "About Great Plains Energy" under the tab, "Westar Energy Merger". The information contained on Great Plains Energy's website is not part of, or incorporated by reference into, this filing.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED

<u>/s/ Lori A. Wright</u> Lori A. Wright Vice President - Corporate Planning, Investor Relations and Treasurer

KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

<u>/s/ Lori A. Wright</u> Lori A. Wright Vice President - Corporate Planning, Investor Relations and Treasurer

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