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): April 23, 2003

Commission File Number	Registrant, State of Incorporation, Address and Telephone Number	I.R.S. Employer Identification Number
0-33207	GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED (A Missouri Corporation) 1201 Walnut Street Kansas City, Missouri 64106 (816) 556-2200	43-1916803
	NOT APPLICABLE (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)	
1-707	KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY (A Missouri Corporation) 1201 Walnut Street Kansas City, Missouri 64106 (816) 556-2200	44-0308720
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

ITEM 7.

(c) Exhibit No.

Press release issued by Great Plains Energy Incorporated on April 23, 2003, announcing 2003 first quarter earnings information.

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE (INFORMATION PROVIDED UNDER ITEM 12 - RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION).

The information contained in this report is being furnished pursuant to Item 12 under Item 9 of this Form 8-K in accordance with SEC Release No. 34-47583.

On April 23, 2003, Great Plains Energy Incorporated issued a press release announcing 2003 first quarter earnings information. A copy of the press release is attached to this report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED

/s/Jeanie Sell Latz

Jeanie Sell Latz Executive Vice President-Corporate and Shared Services and Secretary

KANSAS CITY POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

/s/Jeanie Sell Latz

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

GREAT PLAINS ENERGY'S STRONG WHOLESALE SALES DRIVE OUTSTANDING FIRST QUARTER RESULTS

KANSAS CITY, MO, April 23, 2003 -- Great Plains Energy Incorporated (NYSE:GXP) today announced first quarter 2003 earnings of \$14.1 million, or \$0.20 per share compared to a first quarter 2002 loss of \$6.3 million, or \$0.10 per share. These results include an impairment charge of \$0.08 per share at KLT Gas. The Company reported first quarter 2003 revenues of \$476.7 million, up 33% or \$117.9 million over the prior year. The revenue increase is due primarily to a 74% increase in wholesale MWH sales at higher market prices within the utility and continued sales growth at Strategic Energy. Compared to 2002, the increase in revenues was partially offset by \$0.03 per share in additional pension expense and \$0.03 per share in dilution from the 2002 secondary stock offering. The first quarter 2002 results were impacted by \$0.15 per share from the January 2002 ice storm, and a \$0.05 per share write-down resulting from the adoption of a new a ccounting standard for reporting goodwill.

For 2003, the Company affirms the earnings guidance to be in the range of \$1.90 to \$2.00 per share excluding the \$0.08 per share impairment of a KLT Gas property. Since a majority of earnings occur during the second and third quarters, the Company believes it is premature to adjust earnings guidance.

First Quarter Highlights:

- Kansas City Power & Light (KCP&L) reported record first quarter wholesale revenues of \$46.3 million, an increase of 164% over 2002 due to higher market prices and a 74% increase in MWH sales.
- KCP&L's retail revenues increased 4% over 2002 due to strong residential consumption and favorable weather compared to last year.
- Strategic Energy continued its profitable growth with MWH sales up 70% and earnings up 42%.

Chairman Bernie Beaudoin commented, "We delivered impressive earnings for our shareholders through our utility's record wholesale revenues and Strategic Energy's continued growth. The Company's results prove that we continue to perform in a soft economy."

Kansas City Power & Light

KCP&L, an integrated electric utility, reported earnings for the current quarter of \$13.4 million, or \$0.19 per share compared to a loss of \$6.9 million or \$0.11 per share in 2002. First quarter revenues were \$234.4 million, up 18% from \$198.9 million in the first quarter of 2002.

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Wholesale revenues increased 164% to a record \$46.3 million from \$17.5 million for the first quarter of 2002 over the prior year period. The sharp increase of these revenues was due to higher wholesale power prices and a 13% increase in availability of the generation fleet due to the timing of plant maintenance outages.

Retail revenues increased 4% to \$185.2 million in 2003 compared to \$178.3 million in 2002 due to favorable weather compared to last year and continued residential and commercial load growth. Excluding the \$2.6 million effect of the Kansas rate reduction, retail revenues would have increased 5.4%.

Strategic Energy

Strategic Energy, a power supply coordination services provider, continued its strong growth in the first quarter. Earnings for the current quarter were \$9.8 million or \$0.14 per share, an increase of 42% compared to \$6.9 million or \$0.11 per share for the same period in 2002. These results were driven by a 70% increase in MWh delivered to 3.8 million from 2.2 million in the same period of 2002, and a 6% increase in Great Plains Energy's ownership interest in Strategic Energy from the first quarter of 2002. Strategic Energy also entered the Michigan market and signed their first customers during the quarter.

KLT Gas

KLT Gas, an unconventional natural gas resources exploration and development company, reported a loss of \$6.5 million or \$0.09 per share compared to a loss of \$0.1 million in 2002. The 2003 loss includes an impairment charge of approximately \$0.08 per share due to a lower future production estimate that affected the valuation of a gas property.

Great Plains Energy Incorporated (NYSE:GXP), headquartered in Kansas City, MO, is the holding company for three business units: Kansas City Power & Light Company, a leading regulated provider of electricity in the Midwest; Strategic Energy LLC, an energy management company providing load aggregation and power supply coordination; and KLT Gas Inc., a subsidiary specializing in coal bed methane exploration and development. The Company's web site is www.greatplainsenergy.com.

Great Plains Energy Incorporated will broadcast a discussion of these results via webcast on Thursday, April 24, 2003, at 9:00 AM EST / 8:00 AM CST. The web cast can be accessed on the

Company's web site: www.greatplainsenergy.com. A replay and script of the conference call will be available on the web site until the close of business on May 8, 2003.

CERTAIN FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION - Statements made in this release that are not based on historical facts are forward-looking, may involve risks and uncertainties, and are intended to be as of the date when made. In connection with the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, the registrants are providing a number of important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the provided forward-looking information. These important factors include: future economic conditions in the regional, national and international markets; market perception of the energy industry and the Company; changes in business strategy, operations or development plans; state and federal legislative and regulatory actions or developments, including deregulation, re-regulation and restructuring of the electric utility industry and constraints placed on the Company's actions by the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935; adverse changes in applicable laws, regulations, rules, principles or practices governing tax, accounting and environmental matters including, but not limited to, air quality; financial market conditions including, but not limited to, changes in interest rates; ability to maintain current credit ratings; availability and cost of capital; inflation rates; effectiveness of risk management policies and procedures and the ability of counterparties to satisfy their contractual commitments; impact of terrorist acts; increased competition including, but not limited to, retail choice in the electric utility industry and the entry of new competitors; ability to carry out marketing and sales plans; weather conditions including weather-related damage; cost and availability of fuel; ability to achieve generation planning goals and the occurrence of unplanned generation outages; delays in the anticipated in-service dates of additional generating capacity; nuclear operations; ability to enter new markets successfully and capitalize on growth opportunities in non-regulated

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Great Plains Energy Consolidated Earnings and Earnings Per Share

	Ear	nings	Earnings per Great Plains Energy Share		
	2003	2002	2003	2002	
	(mil	lions)			
Three Months Ended March 31					
KCP&L	\$ 13.4	\$ (6.9)	\$ 0.19	\$ (0.11)	
Strategic Energy	9.8	6.9	0.14	0.11	
KLT Gas	(6.5)	(0.1)	(0.09)	-	
KLT Investments	2.3	0.5	0.03	-	
Other	(4.9)	(3.7)	(0.07)	(0.05)	
Earnings excluding cumulative effect	14.1	(3.3)	0.20	(0.05)	
Cumulative effect to January 1, 2002					
of a change in accounting principle	-	(3.0)	-	(0.05)	
Total	\$ 14.1	\$ (6.3)	\$ 0.20	\$ (0.10)	

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GREAT PLAINS ENERGY
Consolidated Statements of Income
(Unaudited)

Three months ended March 31		2003		2002
Operating Revenues				
Electric revenues - KCP&L	\$	234,392	\$	198,909
Electric revenues - Strategic Energy		228,952		146,014
Other revenues		13,321		13,883
Total		476,665		358,806
Operating Expenses				
Fuel		37,394		34,007
Purchased power - KCP&L		16,073		10,931
Purchased power - Strategic Energy		199,943		124,992
Other		82,624		78,056
Maintenance		23,090		34,934
Depreciation and depletion		36,046		37,431
General taxes		24,938		23,161
Loss on property		8,985		41
Total		429,093		343,553
Operating income		47,572		15,253
Loss from equity investments		(293))	(316)
Minority interest in subsidiaries		(2,254))	(2,437)
Non-operating income		1,320		1,217
Non-operating expenses		(4,805))	(8,382)
Interest charges		19,889		20,798
Income (loss) before income taxes and cumulative				
effect of a change in accounting principle		21,651		(15,463)
Income taxes		7,096		(12,566)
Income (loss) before cumulative effect				
of a change in accounting principle		14,555		(2,897)
Cumulative effect to January 1, 2002, of				
a change in accounting principle		_		(3,000)
Net income (loss)		14,555		(5,897)
Preferred stock dividend requirements		411		412
Earnings (loss) available for common stock	\$	14,144	\$	(6,309)
Average number of common shares outstanding		69,190		61,884
Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per common share before		,		ĺ
cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle	\$	0.20	\$	(0.05)
Cumulative effect to January 1, 2002, of a change	Ψ	0.20	Ψ	(0.00)
in accounting principle				(0.05)
Basic and diluted earnings (loss) per common share	\$	0.20	\$	(0.03)
Cash dividends per common share	\$	0.20	э \$	0.10)
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GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED Summary Income Statement by Segment Three months ended March 31, 2003

Three months ended March 31, 2003	GPE	KCP&L	Strategic Energy	Gas	Other
Operating revenues	\$ 476.7	\$ 234.4	\$ 229.2	\$ 0.4	\$ 12.7
Fuel	(37.4)	(37.4)			
Purchased power	(216.0)	(16.1)	(199.9)		
Revenues, net of					
fuel and purchased power	223.3	180.9	29.3	0.4	12.7
Other	(130.7)	(103.0)	(9.4)	(1.5)	(16.8)
Depreciation and depletion	(36.0)	(34.6)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(8.0)
Loss on property	(9.0)	(9.0)			
Operating income (loss)	47.6	43.3	19.6	(10.4)	(4.9)

Loss from equity investments		(0.3)	(0.3)				
Non-operating income (expenses)		(5.8)	(1.4)	(2.1)	(2.3)	
Interest charges	((19.9)	(17.8)	(0.1)	(0.2)	(1.8)
Income taxes		(7.1)	(10.7)	(7.6)		4.1	7.1
Net income	\$	14.5	\$ 13.4	\$ 9.8	\$ (6.5) \$	(2.2)
Earnings per GPE common share	\$	0.20	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.14	\$ (0	.09)\$	(0.04)

Favorable/(Unfavorable) variance from three months ended March 31, 2002	Consolidate GPE	d KCP&L	Strategic Energy	KLT Gas	Other
Operating revenues	\$ 117.9	\$ 35.5	\$ 82.8	\$ 0.2	\$ (0.6)
Fuel	(3.4)	(3.4)			
Purchased power	(80.1)	(5.2)	(74.9)		
Revenues, net of					
fuel and purchased power	34.4	26.9	7.9	0.2	(0.6)
Other	5.5	7.8	(2.4)	1.0	(0.9)
Depreciation and depletion	1.4	1.2	(0.1)	0.3	
Gain (loss) on property	(9.0)	(8.9)	(0.1)		
Operating income (loss)	32.3	35.9	5.4	(7.7)	(1.3)
Loss from equity investments	0.0				
Non-operating income (expenses)	3.9	0.5	0.3	(0.3)	3.4
Interest charges	0.9	1.2	(0.2)	(0.1)	
Income taxes	(19.7)	(17.3)	(2.8)	1.8	(1.4)
Net income (loss)	\$ 17.4	\$ 20.3	\$ 2.9	\$ (6.4)	\$ 0.6
Earnings (loss) per GPE common share	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.03	\$ (0.09)	\$ 0.06

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GREAT PLAINS ENERGY Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

March 31

December 31

	2003		2002
	(thousands)		
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 105,805	\$	65,302
Restricted cash	59,920		-
Receivables	174,450		200,972
Fuel inventories, at average cost	21,431		21,311
Materials and supplies, at average cost	51,056		50,800
Deferred income taxes	4,326		3,233
Other	19,142		19,543
Total	436,130		361,161
Nonutility Property and Investments			
Affordable housing limited partnerships	65,463		68,644
Gas property and investments	40,143		45,419
Nuclear decommissioning trust fund	63,514		63,283
Other	58,552		63,964
Total	227,672		241,310
Utility Plant, at Original Cost			
Electric	4,476,836		4,428,433

Less-accumulated depreciation	1,935,840	1,885,389
Net utility plant in service	2,540,996	2,543,044
Construction work in progress	47,041	39,519
Nuclear fuel, net of amortization of \$125,411 and \$121,951	20,529	21,506
Total	2,608,566	2,604,069
Deferred Charges		
Regulatory assets	147,130	128,901
Prepaid pension costs	83,766	85,945
Goodwill	46,056	46,058
Other deferred charges	39,774	39,295
Total	316,726	300,199
Total	\$ 3,589,094	\$ 3,506,739

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GREAT PLAINS ENERGY Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

	March 31 2003			December 31 2002			
		(thousands)					
LIABILITIES AND CAPITALIZATION							
Current Liabilities							
Notes payable	\$	149,600	\$	44,679			
Current maturities of long-term debt		30,088		134,092			
EIRR bonds classified as current		81,000		81,000			
Accounts payable		168,673		175,547			
Accrued taxes		31,175	29,257				
Accrued interest		13,125		16,407			
Accrued payroll and vacations		21,553		28,000			
Accrued refueling outage costs		11,093		8,292			
Supplier collateral		59,920		-			
Other		39,370		32,816			
Total		605,597		550,090			
Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities							
Deferred income taxes		589,622		593,169			
Deferred investment tax credits		40,567		41,565			
Asset retirement obligation		102,057		-			
Accrued nuclear decommissioning costs		-		64,584			
Pension liability		76,350		73,251			
Other		82,746		81,275			
Total		891,342		853,844			
Capitalization		2,092,155		2,102,805			
Commitments and Contingencies							
Total	\$	3,589,094	\$	3,506,739			