



GREAT PLAINS ENERGY

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VIA FACSIMILE AND OVERNIGHT COURIER

August 12, 2002

WRITER'S DIRECT NUMBER: (816) 556-2936

Mr. Jonathan G. Katz
Secretary
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
Washington, DC, 20549-0609

RE: Great Plains Energy Incorporated
File No. 0-33207
Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer and
Principal Financial Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances
Relating to Exchange Act Filings pursuant to Order No. 4-460.

Dear Mr. Katz:

I have enclosed for filing the Statements under Oath of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings, executed by Bernard J. Beaudoin, Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer, and Andrea F. Bielsker, Senior Vice President – Finance, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Great Plains Energy Incorporated. These statements are being submitted pursuant to Commission Order No. 4-460.

Very truly yours,

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

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I, **Bernard J. Beaudoin**, Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer of Great Plains Energy Incorporated, state and attest that:

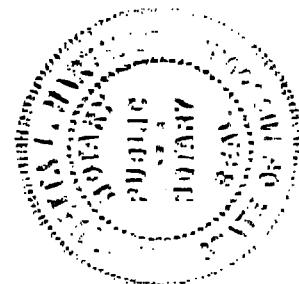
1. To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Great Plains Energy Incorporated, and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
 - no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
 - no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
2. I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.
3. In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":
 - Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 of Great Plains Energy Incorporated;
 - all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Great Plains Energy Incorporated filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
 - any amendments to any of the foregoing.

B. Beaudoin
Bernard J. Beaudoin

August 12, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12th day of August, 2002

Jacquetta L. Hartman
Notary Public



My Commission Expires: April 8, 2004

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