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December 31, 2014

Re:    Shareholder Proposal of Cleo Kottwitz, *et al.* Pursuant to Rule 14a-8 of the  
      Securities Exchange Act of 1934

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission  
Office of Chief Counsel  
Division of Corporate Finance  
100 F. Street, N.E.  
Washington D.C., 20549  
*Via email: [shareholderproposals@sec.gov](mailto:shareholderproposals@sec.gov)*

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of Great Plains Energy Incorporated, a Missouri corporation (the “**Company**”), and in accordance with Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, we are filing this letter with respect to the shareholder proposal and supporting statement submitted by As You Sow on behalf of Cleo Kottwitz (the “**Lead Proponent**”), Paul Rolfe and Calvert Investment Management, Inc. (“**Co-Proponents**,” and together with the Lead Proponent, the “**Proponents**”), on November 26, 2014 (the “**Proposal**”) for inclusion in the proxy materials that the Company intends to distribute in connection with its 2015 Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the “**2015 Proxy Materials**”). We hereby request confirmation that the staff of the Office of Chief Counsel (the “**Staff**”) will not recommend any enforcement action if, in reliance on Rule 14a-8, the Company omits the Proposal from its 2015 Proxy Materials.

Pursuant to Rule 14a-8(j), this letter is being submitted to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the “**Commission**”) no later than 80 days before the Company files its definitive 2015 Proxy Materials. Pursuant to Staff Legal Bulletin No. 14D (CF), *Shareholder Proposals* (Nov. 7, 2008), question C, we have submitted this letter to the Commission via email to [shareholderproposals@sec.gov](mailto:shareholderproposals@sec.gov).

Pursuant to Rule 14a-8(j), a copy of this submission is being sent simultaneously to the Proponents as notification of the Company’s intention to omit the Proposal from its 2015 Proxy Materials. This letter constitutes the Company’s statement of the reasons that it deems the omission of the Proposal to be proper. We have been advised by the Company as to the factual matters set forth herein.

A copy of the Proposal and related correspondence is attached to this letter as Exhibit A.

The Proposal sets forth the following resolution:

RESOLVED: Shareholders request that Great Plains Energy adopt quantitative, time bound, carbon dioxide reduction goals to reduce the company's corporate carbon emissions, and issue a report by September 1, 2015, at reasonable cost and omitting proprietary information, on its plans to achieve the carbon reduction goals it sets.

### **Statement of Reasons to Exclude**

The Company believes that the Proposal may properly be excluded from its proxy statement under Rule 14a-8(i)(7) for the reasons discussed below.

Rule 14a-8(i)(7) permits a company to omit from its proxy materials a shareholder proposal that relates to its "ordinary business operations." Electric utilities have a legal obligation to serve their customers by providing reliable power at a reasonable cost. Selecting the appropriate mix of generation resources to fulfil this legal obligation is a fundamental role of the Board and management. The Proposal seeks to displace the Board and management in this role based on the views of one group of shareholders with a one-issue agenda. As You Sow, which represents the Lead Proponent, has a stated goal of "divestment from fossil fuels." The interests of our shareholders as a group, however, will not be served by constraining the Board's and management's ability to make real-time business decisions regarding the Company's generation mix in favor of a predetermined agenda. These decisions should not be solely dependent on climate or emissions concerns but instead require the balancing of multi-faceted and sometimes conflicting considerations that can often shift on a day-to-day (or more immediate) basis. Given the multitude of impacting factors and their constantly-changing nature, shareholders are not equipped to determine the merits of the Proposal on a fully informed basis.

### ***The Proposal Seeks to Impermissibly Micro-Manage the Company's Business, and Impinges on Tasks Fundamental to Management's Ability to Run an Electric Utility on a Day-to-Day Basis***

The principal sources for the Company's electric generation are coal, nuclear fuel, natural gas and wind power. Carbon emissions are a byproduct of the coal and gas generation operations of the Company. The Company's determination of its generation profile, and the resulting levels of carbon emissions, are driven by multiple factors, including among other things the historical choices of prior management, the views of the Company's regulators, changes in demand for electricity, changes in the relative costs of fuels, changes in the prices for wholesale electricity, the costs and benefits of replacement or retrofit of existing plants, weather patterns, changes in environmental laws, trends in the adoption of distributed generation, public relations concerns and operational risk assessment. Many of these factors, and in particular managing real-time demand and price changes and performing risk management, lie at the heart of the day-to-day operations of the Company's business and are not appropriate matters for a shareholder vote.

As the Commission stated in Exchange Act Release No. 34-40018 (May 21, 1998) (the "**1998 Release**"), the general policy consideration behind the 14a-8(i)(7) exclusion is "to confine the resolution of ordinary business problems to management and the board of directors, since it is impracticable for shareholders to decide how to solve such problems at an annual shareholders meeting." The 1998 Release identified two "central considerations" for the ordinary business exclusion. The first was that certain tasks were "so fundamental to management's ability to run a

company on a day-to-day basis” that they could not be subject to direct shareholder oversight. The second consideration related to “the degree to which the proposal seeks to ‘micro-manage’ the company by probing too deeply into matters of a complex nature upon which shareholders, as a group, would not be in a position to make an informed judgment.” *Id.* (citing Exchange Act Release No. 12999 (Nov. 22, 1976)). The Proposal, if adopted, would mandate a reduction in the proportion of the Company’s power that is generated by natural gas and coal. This will necessarily interfere with the Company’s ability to make a prudent selection among its alternatives for electricity generation. These decisions are properly left to management, which is capable of acting responsively to shifts in market pricing and demand, as well as longer-term regulatory and legal developments, on behalf of all the Company’s stakeholders.

The Company and its electric utility subsidiaries are subject to existing greenhouse gas reporting regulations and certain greenhouse gas permitting requirements. In addition, legislation concerning the reduction of emissions of greenhouse gases, including CO<sub>2</sub>, is being considered at the federal and state levels. In the absence of new Congressional mandates, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) is proceeding with the regulation of greenhouse gases under the existing Clean Air Act. In June 2013, President Obama issued a presidential memorandum to reduce power plant carbon pollution. The memorandum directed the EPA, among other things, to issue proposed and final rules, standards and guidelines addressing carbon pollution.

In September 2013, the EPA proposed new source performance standards for emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> for new affected fossil-fuel-fired electric utility generating units. This action pursuant to the Clean Air Act would, for the first time, set national limits on the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> that power plants built in the future can emit. In June 2014, the EPA proposed its Clean Power Plan which sets emission guidelines for states to follow in developing plans to address greenhouse gas emissions from existing fossil fuel-fired electric generating units. Specifically, the EPA is proposing goals based on a rate per ton for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the power sector that are expected to achieve CO<sub>2</sub> emission reductions from the power sector of approximately 30% from CO<sub>2</sub> emission levels in 2005.

The EPA has proposed an interim CO<sub>2</sub> goal rate reduction in Kansas and Missouri (average of 2020-2029) of 19% and 17%, respectively, and 2030 targets in Kansas and Missouri of 23% and 21%, respectively. In addition, laws have been passed in both Missouri and Kansas (the states in which the Company’s retail electric businesses are operated) setting renewable energy standards. A Kansas law enacted in May 2009 required Kansas public electric utilities to have renewable energy generation capacity equal to at least 10% of their three-year average Kansas peak retail demand by 2011 increasing to 15% by 2016 and 20% by 2020. A Missouri law enacted in November 2008 required at least 2% of the electricity provided by Missouri investor-owned utilities to their Missouri retail customers to come from renewable resources, including wind, solar, biomass and hydropower, by 2011, increasing to 5% in 2014, 10% in 2018, and 15% in 2021, with a small portion required to come from solar resources. The issue of carbon emissions raised by the Proposal is most appropriately addressed in the legislative and regulatory forums, which are designed to take into account the interests of both public and private constituents. They are not a proper subject for private ordering. Creating additional restrictions through shareholder resolution will most likely lead to increased costs for ratepayers, wasteful plant closures, and loss of value for shareholders.

In addition, requiring a reduction in carbon-intensive generation would lead to strains on the Company's distribution and transmission system. Certain forms of less-carbon-intensive production, for example wind and solar plants, are dependent on weather and other factors for their generative capacity. Adopting these alternatives could potentially require significant expenditures to create the necessary back-up generation and transmission facilities, which the shareholders are not properly equipped to predict or evaluate.

### ***The Proposal Does Not Directly Address Policy Issues***

In Staff Legal Bulletin No. 14E, *Shareholder Proposals* (October 27, 2009) ("**SLB 14E**"), the Staff stated that in cases in which a proposal's underlying subject matter transcends the day-to-day business matters of a company and raises policy issues so significant that it would be appropriate for a shareholder vote, the proposal generally will not be excludable under Rule 14a-8(i)(7) as long as a sufficient nexus exists between the nature of the proposal and the company. The Company believes that the Proposal is not sufficiently focused on a significant policy issue to preclude omission under Rule 14a-8(i)(7). Any decision regarding the level of carbon emissions must balance numerous factors involving economic impact as well as regulatory, legal, public relations and risk management concerns. There is no single overarching policy matter that can be effectively isolated and addressed by means of the Proposal, and it therefore cannot serve as a referendum on any particular issue or set of policy issues. The role of shareholders is to elect a Board to oversee management's weighing of dynamics as part of its ordinary business planning, including assessing projected economic trends in fuel and construction costs, demand for electricity and changing regulatory frameworks.

The Company notes that the Staff has previously accepted a company's view that a proposal may be excluded in its entirety when it addresses ordinary business matters, even if the proponent alleges that it also touches upon a significant social policy issue. For example, in *Dominion Resources, Inc.* (February 3, 2011), the proposal requested that the company initiate a program to provide financing to customers for installation of rooftop solar or wind power renewable generation, in furtherance of a policy goal of "stewardship of the environment." Despite this claimed policy motivation, the Staff permitted the exclusion of the proposal. Similarly, the Proposal seeks to impermissibly direct management's resource planning activities by tenuously linking them to climate change.

### ***The Company's Position is Informed by the Staff's Conclusions in Analogous Circumstances***

In analogous circumstances, the Staff has taken the position that proposals which seek the adoption of quantitative impact-reduction goals which related to ordinary business operations are excludable under Rule 14a-8(i)(7). See, e.g., *FirstEnergy Corp.* (March 7, 2013) (granting relief where the proposal requested that the company adopt strategies and quantitative goals to reduce impacts on, and risks to, water quantity and quality, and report to shareholders on progress); *CONSOL Energy Inc.* (February 23, 2009) (granting relief where the proposal requested a report on how the company is responding to rising regulatory and public pressure to significantly reduce the social and environmental harm associated with carbon dioxide emissions from the company's operations and from the use of its primary products); *Dominion Resources, Inc.* (February 22, 2011) (granting relief where the proposal requested that Dominion offer Virginia electric power customers the option of directly purchasing electricity generated from 100% renewable energy by 2012); *Great Plains Energy Incorporated* (February 16, 2006)

(granting relief where the proposal sought a report on the financial impact of a hypothetical tax related to carbon dioxide emissions); OGE Energy Corp. (February 27, 2008) (granting relief where the proposal requested that the board provide a report describing how the company is assessing the impact of climate change on the company, the company's plans to disclose this assessment to shareholders, and the rationale for not disclosing this information through other reporting mechanisms).

The present matter is distinguishable from the circumstances of TXU Corp. (April 2, 2007), in which the Staff was unable to concur with TXU's view that it could exclude a shareholder proposal under rule 14a-8(i)(7). The proposal involved a request that the TXU board adopt quantitative goals, based on current and emerging technologies, to reduce mercury emissions and total CO2 emissions and report to shareholders on its plans to achieve these goals. The TXU proposal was made in the context of significant public debate and media focus on TXU's plans to build eleven additional coal-fired units by 2010 which would more than double its generating capacity. TXU's plans were controversial in its community and the subject of extensive high-profile newspaper coverage cited by the proponents in support of their argument that the proposal was truly a policy issue and that its exclusion from the TXU proxy statement would be improper. By contrast, there exists no similar significant public debate regarding the carbon emissions or generation profile of the Company's existing generating fleet. The Company does not have immediate plans to construct additional fossil fuel generation plants. In fact, as discussed above, the Company has been increasing and continues to increase the share of its electricity generated from renewable resources in accordance with relevant Kansas and Missouri regulation. Thus the circumstances in this matter are directly analogous to those of the FirstEnergy Corp. no-action request and not those of the TXU matter.

For the reasons set forth above, namely that the Proposal concerns matters relating to the Company's ordinary business operations and does not focus on a significant policy issue, we believe that the Proposal may be excluded from the Company's 2015 Proxy Materials pursuant to Rule 14a-8(i)(7).

December 31, 2014

The Company respectfully requests the Staff's concurrence with its decision to omit the Proposal from the 2015 Proxy Materials and further requests confirmation that the Staff will not recommend any enforcement action if it so omits the Proposal. Please call the undersigned at (650) 752-2001 if you should have any questions or need additional information or as soon as a Staff response is available.

Respectfully yours,



Daniel G. Kelly, Jr.

Attachment

cc w/ att: Amelia Timbers, Energy Program Manager, As You Sow

Cleo Kottwitz (c/o As You Sow)

Paul Rolfe (c/o As You Sow)

Lancelot A. King, Assistant Vice President, Assistant Secretary, and Associate  
General Counsel, Calvert Investment Management, Inc.

Jaileah X. Huddleston, Assistant Secretary and Corporate Counsel Securities and  
Finance, Great Plains Energy Incorporated

**Exhibit A**

**Copy of the Proposal and Related Correspondence**



November 25, 2014

Ellen Fairchild  
Vice President, Corporate Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer  
Great Plains Energy Incorporated  
1200 Main St  
Kansas City, Missouri 64141

Dear Ms. Fairchild,

As You Sow is a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote corporate accountability. We represent Cleo Kottwitz, a shareholder of Great Plains Energy stock, and whose shares are registered with the company.

To protect our right to raise this issue before shareholders, we are submitting the enclosed shareholder proposal for inclusion in the 2015 proxy statement, in accordance with Rule 14a-8 of the General Rules and Regulations of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

A letter from Cleo Kottwitz authorizing us to act on their behalf is enclosed. A representative of the filer will attend the stockholders' meeting to move the resolution as required. We are optimistic that a dialogue with the company can result in resolution of our concerns.

Also enclosed is a cofiling letter from Paul Rolfe. We do not represent Paul Rolfe. We are delivering the letter to Great Plains Energy as a convenience to Paul Rolfe.

Sincerely,

Amelia Timbers  
Energy Program Manager  
As You Sow

Enclosures

- Shareholder Proposal
- Shareholder Authorization
- Cofiling Letter from Paul Rolfe

WHEREAS,

- The United Nations' 2014 Synthesis Report states that "Continued emission of greenhouse gases will cause ... long-lasting changes in all components of the climate system, increasing the likelihood of severe, pervasive and irreversible impacts for people and ecosystems." The report found that to avoid or mitigate the worst impacts of climate change, "the share of low-carbon electricity supply ... increases from the current share of approximately 30% to more than 80% by 2050, and fossil fuel power generation ... is phased out almost entirely by 2100."
- The Midwest is vulnerable to extreme weather intensified by climate change: "in 2011, 11 of the 14 weather events with damages of more than \$1 billion affected the Midwest. Several types of extreme weather events have already increased in frequency and/or intensity due to climate change, and further increases are projected." (3rd National Climate Assessment, Midwest Chapter, 2014)
- The Midwest will likely "experience an additional 7 to 26 days above 95°F each year by mid-century" (Risky Business 2014), and "increased demand for cooling by the middle of the century is predicted to exceed 10 gigawatts... requiring more than \$6 billion in infrastructure investments." (3rd National Climate Assessment, Midwest Chapter, 2014)
- Coal fired power plants are a significant, disproportionate source of U.S. carbon emissions. Electric power accounts for 32% of U.S. carbon pollution, and "though coal accounts for about 75% of CO2 emissions from the [electric power] sector, it represents about 39% of the electricity generated in the United States. (EPA 2014)
- Great Plains Energy's subsidiary Kansas City Power & Light (KCP&L) generates 85% of the power it sells from coal (KCP&L website). This is the 15<sup>th</sup> highest rate of coal generation of U.S. electric power producers, resulting in the 20<sup>th</sup> highest level of carbon emissions of U.S. electric power producers. (Ceres, Benchmarking Air Emissions, 2014)
- A study of companies in the S&P 500 found that "Setting a clear and ambitious carbon reduction target can trigger a cascade of positive results. A target provides an important internal signal of a company's commitment to doing its part. Companies that set ambitious carbon reduction targets deliver larger emission reductions with higher financial returns than companies without such targets." (Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP), The 3% Solution, 2013)
- A second study found that companies with the most robust climate reporting saw higher returns on equity, larger dividends, and lower volatility than peers with partial or no carbon disclosure or reporting. (CDP, "Climate Action and Profitability", 2014)

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November 11, 2014

Andrew Behar, CEO  
As You Sow Foundation  
1611 Telegraph Ave., Ste. 1450  
Oakland, CA 94612

**Re: Authorization to File Shareholder Resolution**

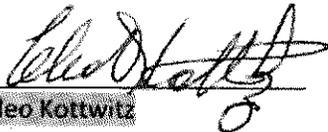
Dear Andrew Behar,

As of November 11, 2014, I authorize As You Sow to file or cofile a shareholder resolution on my behalf with Great Plains Energy Incorporated (Great Plains Energy), and that it be included in the 2015 proxy statement, in accordance with Rule 14-a8 of the General Rules and Regulations of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.

I have continuously owned over \$2,000 worth of Great Plains Energy stock, with voting rights, for over a year. I intend to hold the stock through the date of the company's annual meeting in 2015.

I give As You Sow the authority to deal on my behalf with any and all aspects of the shareholder resolution. I understand that the company may send me information about this resolution, and that the media may mention my name related to the resolution; I will alert As You Sow in either case. I confirm that my name may appear on the company's proxy statement as the filer of the aforementioned resolution.

Sincerely,

  
Cleo Kottwitz

SHAREHOLDER LETTERHEAD

November 24, 2014

Ellen Fairchild  
Vice President, Corporate Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer  
Great Plains Energy Incorporated  
1200 Main St  
Kansas City, Missouri 64141

Dear Ms. Fairchild,

I am a shareholder of Great Plains Energy and have held over \$2,000 of Great Plains Energy stock continuously for over one year. I intend to continue to hold this stock until after the upcoming Annual Meeting.

I hereby notify Great Plains Energy of my intention to co-file the enclosed shareholder resolution and am submitting the enclosed shareholder proposal for inclusion in the 2015 proxy statement, in accordance with Rule 14a-8 of the General Rules and Regulations of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. I am co-filing this resolution with As You Sow which is lead filer of this resolution and is authorized to act on our behalf in the negotiation, including withdrawal of this resolution.

A representative of the lead filer will attend the stockholders' meeting to move the resolution as required. We hope a dialogue with the company can result in resolution of our concerns.

Sincerely,



Paul Rolfe  
Shareholder title, if applicable  
Shareholder organization, if applicable

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November 25, 2014

Ellen Fairchild, Vice President  
Corporate Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer  
Great Plains Energy Inc.  
1200 Main Street  
Kansas City, Missouri 64105  
Attention: Corporate Secretary

Dear Ms. Fairchild:

Calvert Investment Management, Inc. ("Calvert"), a registered investment advisor, provides investment advice for the funds sponsored by Calvert Investments, Inc. As of November 24, 2014, Calvert had over \$13.5 billion in assets under management.

The Calvert VP S&P Mid Cap 400 Index Portfolio ("Fund") is the beneficial owner of at least \$2,000 in market value of securities entitled to be voted at the next shareholder meeting (supporting documentation enclosed). Furthermore, the Fund has held the securities continuously for at least one year, and the Fund intends to continue to own the requisite shares in the Company through the date of the 2015 annual meeting of shareholders.

We are notifying you, in a timely manner that the Fund is presenting the enclosed shareholder proposal for vote at the upcoming stockholders meeting. We submit it for inclusion in the proxy statement in accordance with Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 C.F.R. § 240.14a-8).

As long-standing shareholders, we are filing the enclosed requesting that Great Plains Energy Inc. adopt quantitative, time bound, carbon dioxide reduction goals to reduce the company's corporate carbon emission, and issue a report by September 1, 2015, at reasonable cost and omitting proprietary information, on its plans to achieve the carbon reduction goals it sets.

We understand that The As You Sow Foundation is submitting an identical proposal. Calvert recognizes The As You Sow as the lead filer and intends to act as a co-sponsor of the resolution. The As You Sow Foundation has agreed to coordinate contact between the Company and other shareholders filing the proposal, including Calvert, and is also authorized to withdraw the resolution on Calvert's behalf. However, Calvert would like to receive copies of all correspondence sent to The As You Sow Foundation as it relates to the proposal. In this regard, please direct any correspondence to Gabriel Thoumi at (301) 961-4759 or contact her via email at [gabriel.thoumi@calvert.com](mailto:gabriel.thoumi@calvert.com).

We appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Lancelot A. King  
Assistant Vice President and Assistant Secretary, Calvert Variable Products, Inc.  
Assistant Vice President, Assistant Secretary, and Associate General Counsel, Calvert Investment Management, Inc.

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STATE STREET

November 20, 2014

Calvert Investment Management, Inc.  
4550 Montgomery Avenue, Suite 1000N  
Bethesda, MD 20814

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to confirm that as of November 19, 2014 the Calvert Funds listed below held the indicated amount of shares of the stock of Great Plains Energy Inc. (Cusip 391164100). Also the funds held the amount of shares indicated continuously since 11/14/2013.

Fund	Fund Name	CUSIP Number	Security Name	Shares/Par Value 11/19/2014	Shares Held Since 11/14/2013
D895	CALVERT VP S&P MID CAP 400 INDEX PORTFOLIO	391164100	Great Plains Energy Inc.	22,895	22,895

Please feel free to contact me if you need any further information.

Sincerely,

Brian McAnern  
AVP  
State Street Bank and Trust Company

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December 18, 2014

Ellen Fairchild  
Vice President, Corporate Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer  
Great Plains Energy Incorporated  
1200 Main St.  
Kansas City, Missouri 64141

Re: Scottrade Account & OMB Memorandum Paul Andrew Rolfe

Dear Ms. Fairchild:

I am writing, per request by Scottrade client Mr. Paul Andrew Rolfe, to verify that Scottrade, a DTC participant, acts as the custodian for Mr. Rolfe. As of and including November 25, 2014, Scottrade has continuously held 89 of Great Plains Energy stock with voting rights for over one year on behalf of Paul Rolfe.

Best Regards,



Connor L. Smith  
Investment Consultant