A. KU is recommending an overall rate of return on capital of 10.30%, including the
currently approved 10.00% return on equity and adjusted capitalization, to be used to
calculate the environmental surcharge. This is based on capitalization as of August 31,
2015 and the Commission's Order of June 30, 2015 in Case No. 2014-00371 and use
of the 2015 gross-up revenue factor that excludes the §199 manufacturing tax
deduction. Please see the response and attachment to Commission Staff's Request for
Information Question No. 5 following this testimony.

8 Q. What is your recommendation to the Commission in this case?

9 A. KU makes the following recommendations to the Commission in this case:

a) The Commission should approve the proposed increase to the Environmental
 Surcharge Revenue Requirement of \$654,866 per month for two months
 beginning in the second full billing month following the Commission's Order
 in this proceeding;

b) The Commission should determine the environmental surcharge amount for the six-month billing period ending October 31, 2015 to be just and reasonable;

- 16 c) The Commission should approve the use of an overall rate of return on capital 17 of 10.30%, using a return on equity of 10.00%, beginning in the second full 18 billing month following the Commission's Order in this proceeding.
- 19 **Q.** Does this conclude your testimony?

20 A. Yes.

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