

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) May 10, 1996

WESTERN RESOURCES, INC.  
(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

KANSAS (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)	1-3523 (Commission File Number)	48-0290150 (Employer Identification No.)
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818 KANSAS AVENUE, TOPEKA, KANSAS (address of Principal Executive Offices)	66612 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's Telephone Number Including Area Code (913) 575-6300

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Item 5. Other Events

On May 10, 1996, Western Resources, Inc. issued the attached Press Release.

WESTERN RESOURCES TRAVELING EXHIBIT WILL INFORM  
KCPL SHAREHOLDERS ABOUT WESTERN RESOURCES' OFFER  
AT SIX LOCATIONS IN KANSAS CITY METRO AREA

TOPEKA, Kansas, May 10, 1996 --Western Resources has organized a multi-part traveling exhibit to inform shareholders of Kansas City Power & Light Company about the details of Western Resources' offer to merge with KCPL.

In letters to KCPL shareholders inviting them to visit one of the exhibit's six Kansas City Metro area locations, John E. Hayes, Jr., chairman and CEO of Western Resources, said, "We want to give you the opportunity to learn about our company, our vision for the future and the offer which we believe gives you a higher share price and much higher dividends.

"Our exhibit is composed of displays about important areas of our company," Hayes said, "because we want KCPL shareholders to understand that our offer of higher price and dividends is backed up by a solid company with exciting new prospects."

The exhibit will be available for KCPL shareholder visits on six days between Monday, May 13 and Monday, May 20. Locations, dates and times-of-day are as follows:



