# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Adjustment of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's RESRAM rate for the First Accumulation Period File No. ER-2020-0086 Tariff No. JE-2013-0582

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TARIFF SHEET

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through the undersigned counsel, and hereby respectfully submits this *Staff Recommendation to Approve Tariff Sheet* as follows:

1. On September 27, 2019, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren") filed a tariff sheet and the supporting testimony of J. Neil Grasser designed to adjust its renewable energy standard adjustment mechanism ("RESRAM") pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.100. The submitted tariff sheet has an effective date of February 1, 2020.

2. That same day, the Commission directed Staff to file a recommendation regarding the proposed tariff sheet no later than November 26, 2019.

3. As more fully detailed in Staff's Memorandum, attached hereto as *Appendix A*, Staff has reviewed the data and calculations provided by Ameren related to its proposed tariff sheet and recommends that the Commission issue an order approving the tariff sheet as filed on September 27, 2019, with an effective date of February 1, 2020, or allow the tariff sheet to go into effect by operation of law that same date. Customers using 1,000 kWh per month will see a \$0.44 increase per month. Application of this rate will not exceed the annual rate cap pursuant to Section 393.1655 RSMo.

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4. Staff has verified that Ameren has filed its annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. Staff is not aware of any other matter pending before the Commission that affects or is affected by this tariff filing.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order approving the following tariff sheet as filed by Ameren on September 27, 2019, with an effective date of February 1, 2020, or allow the tariff sheet to go into effect by operation of law that same date:

P.S.C. MO. No. 6 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Cancelling 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Tariff Sheet No. 93.4

Respectfully submitted,

## <u>/s/ Travis J. Pringle</u>

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# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 26th day of November 2019, to all counsel of record.

## <u>/s/ Travis J. Pringle</u>

## <u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO:	Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File Case No. ER-2020-0086 and Tariff Tracking No. JE-2013-0582
FROM:	Nancy Harris, Utility Regulatory Auditor I
	/s/ Robin Kliethermes / November 26, 2019/s/Travis Pringle / November 26, 2019Manager, Rate & Tariff Examination/ Date/s/Travis Office / Date
SUBJECT:	Staff Recommendation to Approve Tariff Sheet Filed to Adjust the Renewable Energy Standard Rate Adjustment Mechanism of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri.
DATE:	November 26, 2019

### BACKGROUND

On September 27, 2019, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri") filed a tariff and supporting testimony to implement a rate adjustment under its Renewable Energy Standard Rate Adjustment Mechanism ("RESRAM") for the 1<sup>st</sup> accumulation period ending July 31, 2019 pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.100. The submitted tariff sheet bore an effective date of February 1, 2020 and was filed under Tariff Tracking No. YE-2020-0048.

The total RESRAM expense balance as of July 31, 2019, including interest, was \$6,810,930 which includes \$6,130,807 in solar rebate payments authorized under Section 393.1670 RSMo. The annual RESRAM Revenue Requirement is \$7,234,842, which is actual annualized RESRAM costs from the first accumulation period. Total RESRAM Recoveries are \$14,134,619.

Using Ameren Missouri's projected energy level of 31,846,280,575 kWh and the total RESRAM recoveries mentioned above, the RESRAM rate is \$0.00044. Customers using 1,000 kWh per month will see a \$0.44 increase per month. Application of this rate will not exceed the annual rate cap pursuant to Section 393.1655 RSMo.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff has reviewed the revised tariff sheet as submitted on September 27, 2019, and recommends the Commission issue an order either approving the tariff sheet below or allowing the tariff sheet to take effect by operation of law on February 1, 2020:

P.S.C. MO. No. 6

2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Cancelling 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Tariff Sheet No. 93.4

Staff has verified that Ameren Missouri has filed its annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing.

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#### **AFFIDAVIT OF NANCY L. HARRIS**

STATE OF MISSOURI	)
	) ss
COUNTY OF COLE	)

COMES NOW Nancy L. Harris, and on her oath states that she is of sound mind and lawful age; that she contributed to the foregoing Staff Recommendation in Memorandum form; and that the same is true and correct according to her best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

Manay L. Harris

#### JURAT

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 26th day of November, 2019.

DIANNA L. VAUGHT Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commission Expires: July 18, 2023 Commission Expires: July 18, 2023 Commission Number: 15207377

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