

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Dr. Michael and Sharon Maples,)	
)	
Complainants,)	
)	
v.)	<u>Case No. GC-2007-0350</u>
)	
Union Electric Company d/b/a)	
AmerenUE,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
RESPONSE

Issue Date: May 9, 2007

Effective Date: May 9, 2007

Dr. Michael and Sharon Maples filed a formal complaint against Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE ("AmerenUE") on March 23, 2007. On March 27, 2007, the Commission notified AmerenUE of the complaint and allowed it thirty days in which to answer as provided by 4 CSR 240-2.070(7).

The same day, pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.070(10), the Commission ordered its Staff to commence an investigation of the Maples' formal complaint and to file a report concerning the results of its investigation no later than three weeks after AmerenUE files its answer to the complaint.

AmerenUE filed its answer on April 26, 2007. On May 7, 2007, Sharon Maples filed a letter, dated May 4, 2007, requesting an extension of time in which to file the Maples' response to AmerenUE's answer. In the letter, Mrs. Maples states that her husband is out

of town and indicates that they do not have enough time to prepare and file their response before the 10-day deadline established by the Commission's administrative regulations.¹ Therefore, she requests they be granted a one-week extension of time until May 14, 2007, which is three days before Staff's report and recommendation are due.

The Commission finds Ms. Maples' request, which is authorized by Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.050(3)(A) and will not cause any delay or prejudice to the parties, to be reasonable under the circumstances and will grant it.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Sharon Maples' request for a one-week extension of time to file a response to Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE's answer is granted. The Maples' shall file their response with the Commission by no later than May 14, 2007.

2. This order shall become effective on May 9, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Benjamin H. Lane, Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority
under Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 9th day of May, 2007.

¹ According to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(15), parties are "allowed not more than ten (10) days from the date of filing in which to respond to any pleading unless otherwise ordered by the commission." Under this rule, and Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.050(1), the Maples had until May 7, 2007 to file a timely response to AmerenUE's answer.