

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of an Investigation into Whether)
Ratepayers are being Held Harmless from the) Case No. ER-2008-0015
Taum Sauk Disaster)

STAFF'S SECOND STATUS REPORT

Comes now the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission in response to the December 26, 2007 Order Directing The Staff Of The Missouri Public Service Commission To File Status Reports And Directing The Office Of The Public Counsel To File A Position Statement. In response the Staff states as follows:

1. In the Staff's First Status Report, undersigned Staff counsel related that Staff had submitted to Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE) interrogatories and requests for the production of documents.¹ (Due to the busy schedule of filings, hearings and holidays in the remainder of 2007 and early 2008, which the Staff and others faced, undersigned Staff counsel was delayed in submitting to Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE) interrogatories and requests for the production of documents.) AmerenUE has responded to all but two of the Staff's interrogatories / requests for the production of documents. Since Public Counsel, like the Staff, is bound by Section 386.480 RSMo 2000, and this case exists due to the instigation of Public Counsel, the Staff has been providing electronic copies of AmerenUE's responses to Public Counsel. Staff has kept Public Counsel apprised of matters and Public Counsel has expressed no objection.

¹ In part, the Staff drafted the interrogatories and requests for the production of documents based on input from the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel). The Staff sought Public Counsel's input in an effort to address the concerns which caused Public Counsel to raise Taum Sauk regulatory capacity as an issue in AmerenUE's rate increase case, Case No. ER-2007-0002.

Wherefore the Staff files the above information as its Second Status Report respecting its investigation of whether AmerenUE's ratepayers are being held harmless from the Taum Sauk disaster, especially with regard to lost Taum Sauk regulatory capacity sales.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to all counsel of record this 28th day of February 2008.

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