

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

In the Matter of Union Electric)
Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri’s)
Purchased Gas Adjustment Tariff)
Filing)

Case No. GR-2022-0351
Tracking No. JG-2022-0278

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its Recommendation, states as follows:

1. On June 15, 2022, Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri”) filed a tariff sheet bearing an effective date of July 1, 2022, Tariff File No. JG-2022-0278, and an accompanying cover letter with supporting worksheets. The tariff sheet was filed to reflect changes in Ameren Missouri’s Regular Purchased Gas Adjustment (“RPGA”) factors as a result of estimated changes in the cost of natural gas. The tariff sheet does not change the Actual Cost Adjustment (“ACA”) factors.

2. The Commission issued an order on June 15, 2022, directing Staff to file a recommendation regarding Ameren Missouri’s request and corresponding tariff sheet, Tariff File No. JG-2022-0278, no later than June 21, 2022.

3. Staff has reviewed Ameren Missouri’s filing and determined it was calculated in conformance with Ameren Missouri’s PGA Clause and notes that optional PGA changes are authorized in Ameren Missouri’s tariff. Staff does not oppose the approval of this tariff sheet on less than thirty (30) days’ notice. Such action is supported by Ameren Missouri’s Commission-approved PGA Clause allowing for ten (10) business days’ notice for PGA change filings.

4. Staff recommends the Commission approve the tariff sheet in Tariff File No. JG-2022-0278, on an interim basis, subject to refund, for service on and after July 1, 2022.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons and those stated in Staff's Memorandum attached hereto, Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order approving Ameren Missouri's tariff sheet filed in Tariff File No. JG-2022-0278, on an interim basis, subject to refund status.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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 on this 17th day of June, 2022.

/s/ Jamie S. Myers

MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
Case No. GR-2022-0351, File No. JG-2022-0278
Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri

FROM: David M. Sommerer, Manager- Procurement Analysis Dept.

/s/ Kimberly K. Bolin 6/17/2022
Financial and Business Analysis Div./Date

/s/ Jamie Myers 6/17/2022
Staff Counsel's Office/Date

SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation for Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri
Optional PGA Tariff Filing Effective July 1, 2022

DATE: June 17, 2022

On June 15, 2022, Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri” or “Company”), of St. Louis, Missouri filed a tariff sheet bearing an effective date of July 1, 2022, Tariff No. JG-2022-0278. This tariff sheet was filed to reflect changes in Ameren Missouri’s Regular Purchased Gas Adjustment (RPGA) factors as a result of estimated changes in the cost of natural gas since it established its existing PGA rates last November. The Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) factors did not change as a result of this filing.

On June 15, 2022, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Expedited Staff Recommendation and Setting Time for Responses*. The order requires Staff to file its recommendation with regard to the tariff sheet no later than June 21, 2022.

For Residential and General Service customers, the Total PGA¹ rate filed by Ameren will increase to \$.9304 per Ccf from the current Total PGA rate of \$.7712 per Ccf. The Residential and General Service Total PGA rate increase is \$.1592 per Ccf, a 21% increase. The Interruptible sales customers’ Total PGA rate will increase to \$.6539 per Ccf from the current Total PGA rate of \$.5200 per Ccf which is an increase of \$.1339 per Ccf, a 26% increase. The Transportation rate remains the same at \$0 per Ccf.

This PGA filing changes the Company’s PGA rate based on estimated changes in the cost of natural gas for the period July 2022 through November 2022 and is an interim rate subject to later refund. There is no change to the Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) factor with this filing. In the October 2022 PGA/ACA filing, the Company’s ACA factor will be updated to reflect the reconciliation of actual gas costs with revenue recoveries for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022.

Case No. GR-2022-0351, under which these changes were filed, was established to track the Company’s PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2021-2022 ACA filing. Case No. GR-2021-0291 was established to track the Company’s PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2020-2021 ACA filing.

¹ Total PGA = RPGA + ACA

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These proposed PGA rate changes should be made on an interim basis, subject to refund pending final Commission decisions in Case Nos. GR-2022-0351 and GR-2021-0291.

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

Staff has reviewed this filing and has determined it was calculated in conformance with Ameren Missouri's PGA Clause. Staff is of the opinion that good cause for approval of this tariff sheet on less than thirty (30) days' notice is demonstrated by Ameren Missouri's Commission-approved PGA clause allowing for notice of ten (10) business days for PGA change filings. Therefore, Staff recommends the following tariff sheet, as filed on June 15, 2022 be approved on an interim basis, subject to refund:

P.S.C. MO. No. 2

120th Revised SHEET No. 30 Cancelling 119th Revised SHEET No. 30

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Adjustment Tariff Filing)

AFFIDAVIT OF DAVID M. SOMMERER

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss.
COUNTY OF COLE)

COMES NOW DAVID M. SOMMERER and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the foregoing *Staff Recommendation* in Memorandum form; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.



DAVID M. SOMMERER

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 16th day of June 2022.

D. SUZIE MANKIN
Notary Public - Notary Seal
State of Missouri
Commissioned for Cole County
My Commission Expires: April 04, 2025
Commission Number: 12412070



Notary Public