STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 15th day of July, 2008.

In the Matter of Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE's Tariffs to Increase Its Annual Revenues for Electric Service

<u>Case No. ER-2008-0318</u> Tariff Nos. YE-2008-0605

ORDER SETTING LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS AND DIRECTING NOTICE

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Issue Date: July 15, 2008

Effective Date: July 15, 2008

On April 4, 2008, Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, submitted proposed tariff sheets designed to implement a general rate increase for retail electric service. In its April 7 order suspending that tariff, the Commission directed the parties to file recommendations regarding the times, dates, and locations for local public hearings. The parties were also ordered to file the proposed language to be included in the notice that will be given to inform the public of those local public hearings.

On May 20, the Office of the Public Counsel filed a recommendation asking the Commission to schedule thirteen local public hearings in various locations around AmerenUE's service territory. On the same date, AmerenUE asked the Commission to schedule six local public hearings. AmerenUE's May 20 pleading also included proposed language to be included in the notice to be given to its customers regarding the local public hearings and the evidentiary hearing. No party has objected to AmerenUE's draft notice.

The Commission will schedule local public hearings in the cities recommended by Public Counsel plus an additional hearing in St. Charles. The notice language proposed by AmerenUE is acceptable and AmerenUE will be directed to provide notice of the hearings to its customers.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Monday, September 8, 2008, from 12:00 Noon until 3:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Harris Stowe University, Emerson Performance Center – Bank of America Theater, 3026 Laclede Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63103.

2. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Monday, September 8, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at St. Louis Community College, Meramec Campus, Room BA-105, 11333 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, Missouri 63122.

3. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Wednesday, September 10, 2008, from Noon until 3:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Hayti High School, Library – ITV Room, 500 North 4th Street, Hayti, Missouri 63851.

4. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Wednesday, September 10, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Dexter High School Auditorium, 1101 West Grant Street, Dexter, Missouri 63841.

5. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Thursday, September 11, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done

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so, whichever is sooner, at Wentzville R-IV School District, Central Office Building – Board Room, One Campus Drive, Wentzville, Missouri 63385.

6. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Monday, September 15, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Missouri Public Service Commission, Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Room 310, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

7. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Monday, September 15, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Higher Education Center – Classroom, 2105 East Normal Street, Kirksville, Missouri 63501.

8. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Tuesday, September 16, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Excelsior Springs School District, Board Meeting Room (located in the Early Childhood Center), 113 Line Street, Excelsior Springs, Missouri 64024.

9. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Wednesday, September 17, 2008, from Noon until 3:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at St. Louis County Library – Thornhill Branch Auditorium, 12863 Willowyck Drive, St. Louis, Missouri 63146.

10. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Wednesday, September 17, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Wohl Community Center, 1515 North Kingshighway Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri 63113.

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11. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Thursday, September 18, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Moberly Area Community College, 101 College Avenue, Moberly, Missouri 65270.

12. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Thursday, September 18, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at St. Charles Administration Building, Room 115, 201 North 2nd Street, St. Charles, Missouri 63301.

13. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Monday, September 22, 2008, from 6:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Mexico TCRC, 2900 Doreli Lane, Mexico, Missouri 65265. (Note the different start time for this hearing)

14. The Commission shall hold a local public hearing on Monday, September 22, 2008, from 6:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Jefferson College, Arts & Science II – Room 301, 1000 Viking Drive, Hillsboro, Missouri 63050. (Note the different start time for this hearing)

15. No later than ten days before the local public hearings, Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, shall provide individual notice to each of its electric service customers including the notice as set out below.

NOTICE

AmerenUE has filed revised tariff sheets with the Missouri Public Service Commission (PSC) that would increase the company's electric service revenues by approximately \$250.8 million. For the average residential customer the proposed increase would be approximately \$8.66 per month. AmerenUE's rate filing includes a request to implement a fuel adjustment clause. A fuel adjustment

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clause, if approved by the Commission, would allow 95% of the net increases or decreases in fuel and purchased power costs less offsystem sales revenues occurring after base electric rates are set by the pending electric rate case to be passed through to customers as a separate line on customer's bills. Ninety-five percent of the increases in net fuel and purchased power costs less off-system sales revenues above base electric rates would be applied to customer bills via a separate and additional charge and 95% of the net decreases would be applied to customer bills via a separate credit.

Public comment hearings have been set before the PSC as follows:

- Monday, September 8, 2008, from Noon to 3:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Harris Stowe University, Emerson Performance Center – Bank of America Theater, 3026 Laclede Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63103.
- Monday, September 8, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at St. Louis Community College, Meramec Campus, Room BA-105, 11333 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, Missouri 63122.
- Wednesday, September 10, 2008, from Noon until 3:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Hayti High School, Library – ITV Room, 500 North 4th Street, Hayti, Missouri 63851.
- Wednesday, September 10, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Dexter High School Auditorium, 1101 West Grant Street, Dexter, Missouri 63841.
- Thursday, September 11, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Wentzville R-IV School District, Central Office Building – Board Room, One Campus Drive, Wentzville, Missouri 63385.
- Monday, September 15, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Missouri Public Service Commission, Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Room 310, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.
- Monday, September 15, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at Higher Education Center – Classroom, 2105 East Normal Street, Kirksville, Missouri 63501.
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- Thursday, September 18, 2008, from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., or until all persons who wish to testify have done so, whichever is sooner, at St. Charles Administration Building, Room 115, 201 North 2nd Street, St. Charles, Missouri 63301.
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*A question-and-answer session will be held one-half hour before the beginning of each hearing.

If you are unable to attend a live public hearing and wish to make written comments or secure additional information, you may contact the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, telephone (573) 751-4857, email opcservice@ded.mo.gov or the Missouri Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, telephone 800-392-4211,email pscinfo@psc.mo.gov.

The Commission will also conduct an evidentiary hearing at its offices in Jefferson City from November 17 through 21, November 24-25, and December 1 through 5, 2008, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

The hearings and local public hearings will be held in buildings that meet accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If a customer needs additional accommodations to participate in these hearings, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

16. The local public hearings shall be held in facilities that meet the accessibility

requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs additional

accommodation to participate in the hearings should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearings.

17. The Data Center of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall serve a copy of this order upon the county commission of each county in Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE's service area, as well as upon the governing body for the City of St. Louis.

18. The Public Information Office of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall send a copy of this order to members of the General Assembly and to the media that serve Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE's service area.

19. Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, shall place advertisements in the newspapers serving its service territory. The advertisements shall contain the information from the customer notice relevant to the customers in the newspaper's circulation area.

20. This order shall become effective on July 15, 2008.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Davis, Chm., Murray, Clayton, Jarrett, and Gunn, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge