BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Staff's Recommendation)	
In Union Electric Co. d/b/a AmerenUE's)	Case No. GR-2005-0102
2003-2004 Actual Cost Adjustment and 2004)	
PGA filing.)	

STAFF'S RESPONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING FILING

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") and, in response to the Commission's April 19, 2005 Order Directing Filing states:

- 1. On October 15, 2004, Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE or Company) filed four (4) tariff sheets proposed to become effective November 1, 2004.
- 2. The tariff sheets were filed to reflect scheduled changes in AmerenUE's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as the result of estimated changes in the cost of natural gas for the upcoming winter season. The winter season includes the months of November through March.
- 3. This tariff filing also reflects changes in the Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) factors and AmerenUE's refund factor for the prior period.
- 4. Staff filed its Memorandum on October 22, 2004, recommending that the tariff sheets should be approved interim subject to refund.
- 5. Staff also suggested that since the ACA review process takes a significant amount of time to complete, the Commission issue its order permitting the Procurement Analysis Department to file its results with the Commission on or before December 31, 2005.

6. As a result of the Order Directing Filing, Staff renews its request that the PAD department memorandum containing its results and recommendations concerning information contained in this ACA filing be due no later than Friday, December 30, 2005.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue its order directing the PAD Staff to file its recommendation in this case no later than December 30, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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