## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

### OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE`s Purchased Gas	)	Case No. GR-2008-0366
	)	
Adjustment (PGA) Factors	)	Tariff No. YG-2008-0683

# **ORDER APPROVING INTERIM RATES**

Issue Date: May 29, 2008 Effective Date: June 1, 2008

On May 15, 2008, Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE or Company) of St. Louis, Missouri, filed a *Motion for Waiver of Tariff Provision and for Expedited Treatment*. The Motion asked for a waiver from AmerenUE's tariff provision regarding this Optional PGA Filing.

AmerenUE filed four tariff sheets proposed to become effective June 1, 2007. The tariff sheets were filed to reflect required changes in AmerenUE's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as the result of estimated changes in the cost of natural gas for the current summer season.

Implementation of the tariff rates results in changes in gas costs in the following AmerenUE PGA areas:

1. For the area served by Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company (PEPL), including the cities of Columbia, Jefferson City, Mexico, and Wentzville; and excluding the Rolla Service Area, the net effect of this filing will increase the PGA factor for the

2008 summer season to \$1.1016 per Ccf (100 cubic feet) from the current PGA factor of \$0.8959 per Ccf. This represents a \$0.2057 per Ccf increase.

- 2. For the Rolla Service Area, including the cities of Rolla and Owensville, formerly served under the tariff of Aquila Inc. d/b/a Aquila Networks MPS' Eastern System, the net effect of this filing will decrease the PGA factor for the 2008 summer season to \$1.2938 per Ccf (100 cubic feet) from the current PGA factor of \$1.3503 per Ccf. This represents a \$0.0565 per Ccf decrease.
- 3. For the area served by Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation (TETCO), including the city of Cape Girardeau, the net effect of this filing will increase the PGA factor for the 2008 summer season to \$1.1016 per Ccf from the current PGA factor of \$0.8959 per Ccf. This represents a \$.2057 per Ccf increase.
- 4. For the area served by Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America (NGPL), including the community of Marble Hill, the net effect of this filing is to increase the PGA factor for the 2008 summer season to \$1.1016 per Ccf from the current PGA factor of \$0.8959 per Ccf. This represents a \$.2057 per Ccf increase.

The Commission's Staff filed its Memorandum and Recommendation on May 27, 2008. In its Memorandum and Recommendation, Staff supports the change in the costs and supports Commission approval and incorporation of the change in rates as expeditiously as possible, in that any rate change at this time is subject to true-up in the ACA process. Staff notes that, because AmerenUE's PGA clause allows for PGA change filings to take effect on ten days' notice, good cause has been shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, to permit the tariffs to become effective on less than 30 days' notice. Staff recommends that the rates be immediately approved on an

interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-2008-0366 and GR-2008-0107. Staff is not opposed to AmerenUE's Motion.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariff sheets and Staff's Memorandum and Recommendation. The Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheets conform to the Company's Commission-approved PGA Clause. After considering Staff's recommendation, and for good cause shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, the Commission concludes that the proposed tariff sheets should be approved to become effective on June 1, 2008, on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-2008-0366 and GR-2008-0107.

### IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE's Motion for Waiver of Tariff Provision and Expedited Treatment, is granted.
- 2. The proposed tariff sheets filed on May 15, 2008, by Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE is approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-2008-0366 and GR-2008-0107, for service rendered on and after June 1, 2008. The specific tariff sheets approved are:

### P.S.C. MO. No. 2

94th Revised Sheet No. 30, Canceling 93rd Revised Sheet No. 30 7th Revised Sheet No. 30.1, Canceling 6th Revised Sheet No. 30.1 100th Revised Sheet No. 31, Canceling 99th Revised Sheet No. 31 95th Revised Sheet No. 32, Canceling 94th Revised Sheet No. 32

2. This order shall become effective on June 1, 2008.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri on this 29th day of May, 2008.