

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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| In the Matter of Union Electric |) | |
| Company d/b/a AmerenUE's Purchased |) | |
| Gas Adjustment (PGA) Factors |) | Case No. GR-2010-0180 |
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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") in the above-captioned matter and for its Recommendation states as follows:

1. On December 11, 2009, Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, filed a revised tariff sheet with a proposed effective date of January 1, 2010, for the purpose of modifying its Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factor for its Rolla service area which contains the cities of Rolla, Salem, and Owensville, Missouri.
2. AmerenUE also requested expedited treatment.
3. AmerenUE explains that rates for transportation of gas to its customers in the Rolla service area will increase on January 1, 2010. This is primarily due to an increase in the transportation charge by MoGas Pipeline LLC, which the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has allowed MoGas to put into effect on an interim basis on January 1, 2010.
4. Staff's review of this filing found it was calculated in conformance with AmerenUE's PGA Clause, with the exception of the transportation charges described above in 3, and further detailed in Staff's Memorandum, attached hereto as Appendix A. As further explained in Appendix A, Staff recommends the waiver be granted.

This rate change should be approved on an interim, subject to refund basis pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-2010-0180, GR-2009-0337, GR-2008-0366, and GR-2008-0107.

WHEREFORE, for the above stated reasons, Staff recommends the Commission grant AmerenUE's requested waiver and the request for expedited treatment, allowing the tariff sheet to become effective January 1, 2010, on an interim, subject to refund basis.

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 22nd day of December 2009.

/s/ Samuel D. Ritchie

MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File,
Case No. GR-2010-0180 File No. YG-2010-0377
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren UE

FROM: Tom Solt, Energy Department – Tariffs/Rate Design

/s/ Thomas A. Solt 12/22/2009 /s/ Samuel D. Ritchie 12/22/2009
Utility Operations Division/Date General Counsel's Office/Date

SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation to Approve Union Electric d/b/a AmerenUE's Optional PGA
Tariff Filing - Effective January 1, 2010

DATE: December 22, 2009

On December 11, 2009, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren UE (AmerenUE or Company), of St. Louis, Missouri, filed a tariff sheet requesting an effective date of January 1, 2010, requesting a revision of the Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) clause for the Rolla system, affecting Rolla, Salem, and Owensville. Concurrently, the Company requested a waiver from Section II (B)(5) of its P.S.C. 6th Revised Sheet No. 25, a part of its PGA clause that provides the PGA is calculated using “. . . the last charge(s) paid for such transportation service purchased during the base period . . .” AmerenUE used the charge for transportation that will result on the MoGas system beginning January 1, 2010, instead.

The change results in an increase in the firm customers’ PGA factors from \$1.09 to \$1.30 per Ccf. This increase is primarily due to an increase in the transportation charge by MoGas Pipeline LLC, which the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has allowed MoGas to put into effect on an interim basis on January 1, 2010.

Case No. GR-2010-0180, under which these changes were filed, was established to track the Company’s PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2009-2010 ACA filing. Case No. GR-2009-0337 was established to track the Company’s PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2008-2009 ACA filing. Case No. GR-2008-0366 was established to track the Company’s PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2007-2008 ACA filing. Case No. GR-2008-0107 was established to track the Company’s PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2006-2007 ACA filing. This rate change should be on an interim, subject to refund status pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-2010-0180, GR-2009-0337, GR-2008-0366, and GR-2008-0107.

Staff has verified that this company 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.

Staff has reviewed this filing and has determined that, except for the aforesaid transportation service, it was calculated in conformance with AmerenUE’s PGA Clause. Staff recommends that the requested waiver be granted, and that the request for expedited treatment be granted. Therefore,

Staff recommends that the following tariff sheet as filed on December 14, 2009 be approved, interim subject to refund, and allowed to go into effect on January 1, 2010.

P.S.C. MO. No. 2

11th Revised SHEET No. 30.1 Cancelling 10th Revised SHEET No. 30.1

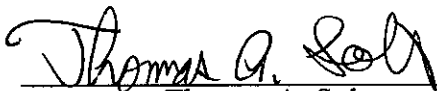
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d/b/a AmerenUE's Purchased Gas)
Adjustment (PGA) Factors) Case No. GR-2010-0180

AFFIDAVIT OF THOMAS A. SOLT

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss
COUNTY OF COLE)

Thomas A. Solt, of lawful age, on oath states: that he participated in the preparation of the foregoing Staff Report in memorandum form, to be presented in the above case; that the information in the Staff Report was provided to him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such Staff Report; and that such matters are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.



Thomas A. Solt

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of December, 2009.



SUSAN L. SUNDERMEYER
My Commission Expires
September 21, 2010
Callaway County
Commission #06942086



Notary Public