

**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 )  
(PGA) Clause )

**Case No. GR-2016-0236**  
Tracking No. YG-2016-0233

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission in the above-captioned matter and files its Staff Recommendation as set forth in the accompanying Memorandum (which is incorporated herein by reference) concerning the March 17, 2016, tariff filing by Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri" or "Company"), and further states as follows:

1. On March 17, 2016, Ameren Missouri filed two tariff sheets with a requested effective date of April 1, 2016, to reflect a change in Ameren Missouri's Purchased Gas Adjustment ("PGA") factors as a result of estimated changes in the cost of natural gas.

2. As explained in the accompanying Memorandum, for Residential service in all of its natural gas service areas other than the Rolla Service Area, the Total PGA rate filed by Ameren Missouri will decrease to \$0.0000 (zero) per hundred cubic foot ("Ccf") for the first 30 Ccf, from the current Total PGA rate of \$0.0278 per Ccf. For all volumes in excess of the first 30 Ccf, the Total PGA rate filed by Ameren Missouri will decrease to \$0.7952 per Ccf, from the current Total PGA rate of \$0.8230 per Ccf. Each change represents a decrease of \$0.0278 per Ccf.

3. As also explained in the accompanying Memorandum, for Residential service in its Rolla Service Area, the PGA rate filed by Ameren Missouri will decrease to \$0.1786 per Ccf for the first 30 Ccf, from the current PGA rate of \$0.2064 per Ccf. For

all volumes in excess of the first 30 Ccf, the PGA rate filed by Ameren Missouri will decrease to \$0.9738 per Ccf, from the current PGA rate of \$1.0016 per Ccf. These changes represent a decrease of \$0.0278 per Ccf. However, these Rolla Service Area PGA rates do not include the Incremental ACA factor of (\$0.1786) per Ccf, which Ameren Missouri includes as a line item credit on customers' bills for a refund from a previous settlement.

4. Case No. GR-2016-0236, under which these changes were filed, was established to track the Company's PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2015-2016 Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA") filing. Case No. GR-2015-0271 was established to track the Company's PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2014-2015 ACA filing. This rate change should be implemented on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-2016-0236 and GR-2015-0271.

5. Staff has verified that the Company has filed its annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing except for the case(s) mentioned above.

6. As explained in the accompanying Memorandum, Staff has reviewed this filing and has determined that it was calculated in conformance with Ameren Missouri's PGA Clause. Staff is of the opinion that good cause for approval of these tariff sheets on less than thirty (30) days' notice is demonstrated by Ameren Missouri's Commission-approved PGA clause allowing for ten (10) business days' notice for PGA change filings.

**WHEREFORE,** Staff recommends the Commission issue an order approving the following tariff sheets as filed on March 17, 2016, on an interim basis, subject to refund:

P.S.C. MO. No. 2

108th Revised Sheet No. 30, Cancelling 107th Revised Sheet No. 30  
22nd Revised Sheet No. 30.1, Cancelling 21st Revised Sheet No. 30.1

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 counsel of record this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

**/s/ Jeffrey A. Keevil**

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File,  
Case No. GR-2016-0236, File No. YG-2016-0233  
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri

**FROM:** Henry E. Warren, Procurement Analysis - Operational Analysis Department

/s/ David Sommerer 3/25/2016                      /s/ Jeffrey A. Keevil 3/25/2016  
Commission Staff Division/Date                      Staff Counsel's Office/Date

**SUBJECT:** Staff Recommendation for Union Electric d/b/a Ameren Missouri Optional  
PGA Tariff Filing Effective April 1, 2016

**DATE:** March 25, 2016

On March 17, 2016, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri” or “Company”), of St. Louis, Missouri, filed two (2) tariff sheets bearing an effective date of April 1, 2016. These tariff sheets were filed to reflect changes in Ameren Missouri’s Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as a result of estimated changes in the cost of natural gas. Ameren Missouri requests the tariff sheets go into effect on April 1, 2016.

For Residential service in all of its natural gas service areas, other than the Rolla Service Area, the Total PGA rate filed by Ameren Missouri will decrease to \$0.0000 (zero) per hundred cubic foot (Ccf) for the first 30 Ccf from the current Total PGA rate of \$0.0278 per Ccf. For all volumes in excess of the first 30 Ccf, the Total PGA rate filed by Ameren Missouri will decrease to \$0.7952 per Ccf from the current Total PGA rate of \$0.8230 per Ccf. Each change represents a decrease of \$0.0278 per Ccf.

For Residential service in its Rolla Service Area, the PGA rate filed by Ameren Missouri will decrease to \$0.1786 per Ccf for the first 30 Ccf from the current PGA rate of \$0.2064 per Ccf. For all volumes in excess of the first 30 Ccf, the PGA rate filed by Ameren Missouri will decrease to \$0.9738 per Ccf from the current PGA rate of \$1.0016 per Ccf. These changes represent a decrease of \$0.0278 per Ccf. However, these Rolla Service Area PGA rates do not include the Incremental ACA factor, -\$0.1786 per Ccf, which Ameren Missouri includes as a line item credit on customers’ bills for the MoGas Pipeline, LLC (“MoGas”) refund from the MoGas settlement due to overcharges by that pipeline.

Case No. GR-2016-0236, under which these changes were filed, was established to track the Company’s PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2015-2016 Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) filing. Case No. GR-2015-0271 was established to track the Company’s PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2014-2015 ACA filing. This rate change should be implemented on an interim, subject to refund status pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-2016-0236 and GR-2015-0271.

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 these tariff sheets 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 sheets as filed on March 17, 2016, be approved on an interim basis, subject to refund:

P.S.C. MO. No. 2

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22nd Revised SHEET No. 30.1 Cancelling 21st Revised SHEET No. 30.1

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**AFFIDAVIT OF HENRY E. WARREN, PhD**

STATE OF MISSOURI        )  
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COUNTY OF COLE         )        ss.

COMES NOW HENRY E. WARREN 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.

  
HENRY E. WARREN, PhD

**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 24<sup>th</sup> day of March 2016.

D. SUZIE MANKIN  
Notary Public - Notary Seal  
State of Missouri  
Commissioned for Cole County  
My Commission Expires: December 12, 2016  
Commission Number: 12412070

  
Notary Public