

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
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CASE NO: GR-2000-512

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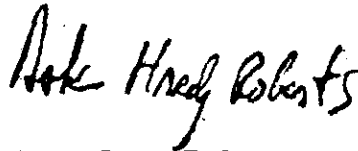
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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Union Electric Company)	
d/b/a AmerenUE for Authority to File)	Case No. GR-2000-512
Tariffs Increasing Rates for Gas Service)	Tariff No. 200000747
Provided to Customers in the Company's)	
Missouri Service Area)	

ORDER APPROVING COMPLIANCE TARIFF

On October 17, 2000, the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) issued its order (order) approving a unanimous stipulation and agreement between the parties (agreement). The agreement stated, *inter alia*, that Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE) shall be authorized to file revised tariff sheets containing rate schedules for natural gas service designed to produce an increase in overall Missouri jurisdictional gross annual gas revenues of \$4.2 million, exclusive of any applicable license, occupation, franchise, gross receipts taxes or other similar fees or taxes, for services rendered on and after November 1, 2000.

On October 23, 2000, AmerenUE filed its proposed tariff, which was assigned tariff number 200100470 and had an effective date of November 1, 2000.

On October 25, 2000, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed its recommendation and memorandum which recommended that the Commission approve AmerenUE's tariff. According to Staff's opinion, these sheets are in compliance with the order. Staff is also of the opinion that good cause for approval of these tariff sheets on less than thirty days' notice is demonstrated as required by the order.

No motions to suspend the tariff were filed, no applications to intervene were filed, and no party requested a hearing. The requirement

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for a hearing is met when the opportunity for hearing has been provided and no proper party has requested the opportunity to present evidence. State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989). Since no one requested a hearing, the Commission may grant the relief requested based on the application.

The Commission finds that AmerenUE's tariff filing is reasonable, in the public interest, and should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the tariff sheets filed by Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE on October 23, 2000, are approved for service on and after November 1, 2000. The tariff sheets approved are:

P.S.C. Mo. No. 2

3rd Revised SHEET No. 5 Canceling 2nd Revised SHEET No. 5
3rd Revised SHEET No. 6 Canceling 2nd Revised SHEET No. 6
3rd Revised SHEET No. 7 Canceling 2nd Revised SHEET No. 7
3rd Revised SHEET No. 8 Canceling 2nd Revised SHEET No. 8
3rd Revised SHEET No. 10 Canceling 2nd Revised SHEET No. 10
4th Revised SHEET No. 12 Canceling 3rd Revised SHEET No. 12
3rd Revised SHEET No. 13 Canceling 2nd Revised SHEET No. 13
3rd Revised SHEET No. 15 Canceling 2nd Revised SHEET No. 15
Original SHEET No. 20.1

2. That this order shall become effective on November 1, 2000.
3. That this case may be closed on November 2, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



(S E A L)

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Bill Hopkins, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 27th day of October, 2000.

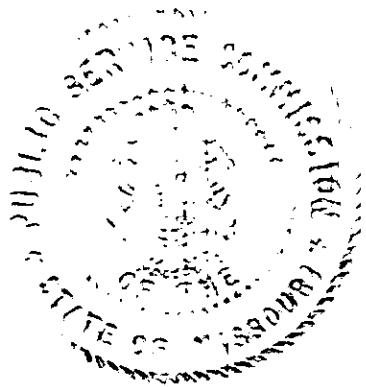
STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and

I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 27th day of Oct. 2000.



Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge