Exhibit No.:

Issue:

Rate of Return

Witness: Lee R. Nickloy

Type of Exhibit: Direct Testimony

Sponsoring Party: Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE

Case No:

GR-2000-512

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE NO. GR-2000-512

**DIRECT TESTIMONY** 

OF

LEE R. NICKLOY

St. Louis, Missouri April 3, 2000

#### MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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#### STATE OF MISSOURI

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

#### AFFIDAVIT OF LEE R. NICKLOY

STATE OF MISSOURI )
) SS.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS )

Lee R. Nickloy, being first duly sworn on his oath, states:

- 1. My name is Lee R. Nickloy. I work in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, and I am Manager Corporate Development in the Treasurer's Function of Ameren Services Company.
- 2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my Direct Testimony consisting of pages 1 through 8 and Schedules 1 through 8, all of which testimony has been prepared in written form for introduction into evidence in Missouri Public Service Commission Case No. GR-2000-512 on behalf of Union Electric Company.
- 3. I hereby swear and affirm that my answers contained in the attached testimony to the questions therein propounded are true and correct.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29+4 day of March, 2000.

BAP3ARA LUNGWITZ

Notary Public - Notary Fool

State of Missouri
St. Louis City
My Commission Expires 3-12, 2003

Notary Public

1		DIRECT TESTIMONY
2		OF
3		LEE R. NICKLOY
4		UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY
5		d/b/a AmerenUE
6		CASE NO. GR-2000-512
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8	Q.	Please state your name and your business address.
9	Α.	My name is Lee R. Nickloy and my business address is 1901 Chouteau
10	Avenue, St. 1	Louis, MO 63103.
11	Q.	By whom are you employed and in what position?
12	A.	I am employed by Ameren Services Company as Manager Corporate
13	Developmen	t in the Treasurer's Function. I also hold the position of Assistant Treasurer for
14	subsidiaries	of Ameren Corporation, the parent company of Union Electric Company, doing
15	business as A	AmerenUE.
16	Q.	Please describe your educational background, your work experience, and
17	the duties of	f your position.
18	A.	The attached Schedule 1 summarizes my educational background, work
19	experience a	nd the duties of my position.
20	Q.	What is the purpose of your direct testimony in this case?
21	Α.	My testimony and attached Schedules 2 through 8 develops the overall fair
22	rate of retur	n for the Missouri gas operations of AmerenUE. I determine the Company's
23	capital struc	ture embedded cost of long-term debt and embedded cost of preferred stock

- 1 Using the Company's fair rate of return applicable to the common equity portion of its
- 2 capital structure developed by AmerenUE witness Ms. Kathleen McShane in her direct
- 3 testimony submitted in this case, I will calculate the overall fair rate of return applied to the
- 4 rate base which was utilized in the Company's filing in this case.
- 5 Q. Have you prepared, or have there been prepared under your direction
- and supervision, a series of schedules relating to overall fair rate of return for
- 7 presentation to the Commission in this proceeding?
- 8 A. Yes. I am sponsoring Schedules 2 through 8 for that purpose. These
- 9 schedules are based upon a test year ended June 30, 1999, and are designated as follows:
- Schedule 2 Capital Structure
- Schedule 3 Embedded Cost of Long-Term Debt
- Schedule 4 Indicative Coupon Estimate [for] Refinancing of \$125MM
- 13 6.75% FMB's due 10/99 and Estimated Issuance Costs
- 14 Schedule 5 Variable Rate Debt Current Effective Coupons
- Schedule 6 Unamortized Debt Expense, Discount/Premium and Loss on
- 16 Reacquired Debt and Allocation of Loss on Reacquired Debt
- 17 Schedule 7 Embedded Cost of Preferred Stock
- Schedule 8 Weighted Average Cost of Capital
- 19 Q. How is the Company's overall fair rate of return calculated?
- A. In order to derive the Company's overall fair rate of return, the relative
- 21 weighting or proportion of each component of the Company's capital structure is multiplied
- by the cost developed for that component. These weighted costs by component are then
- 23 summed to arrive at the overall fair rate of return.

#### Q. What is the primary standard for determining a fair rate of return?

A. The primary standard used in the determination of a fair rate of return is the cost of capital. This cost, the overall rate of return or weighted average cost of capital, that is established must produce sufficient earnings when applied to the Company's rate base (book value) to enable the Company to accomplish the following:

- 1) maintain the financial integrity of its existing invested capital,
- 2) maintain its creditworthiness, and
  - 3) attract sufficient capital on competitive terms to continue to provide a source of funds for continued investment and enable the Company to continue to meet the needs of its customers.

#### Q. Why must the Company meet these three requirements?

A. Beyond the fact that these three standards are mandated by the landmark Hope and Bluefield Supreme Court decisions, meeting these requirements is necessary in order for AmerenUE to effectively serve the natural gas needs of our customers and provide an adequate and reasonable return to the Company's investors, debtholder and equity holder alike. The assets owned by the Company are employed in meeting our customers' natural gas requirements. These assets exist and are available for this purpose only because investors have entrusted their funds with the Company and deemed an investment in the securities issued by the Company to be sound and capable of providing a competitive return. The Company must maintain its creditworthiness in order to continue to attract capital on competitive returns. This is important to assure future opportunities for the Company to replace capital and various securities which must be refinanced in the future at a reasonable cost. Also, the ability of AmerenUE to attract new capital on competitive terms is critical in

- order for the Company to continue to replace and upgrade its facilities used to continue to
- 2 meet the natural gas needs of its customers.
- 3 Q. Please describe AmerenUE's capital structure.
- A. At June 30, 1999, the Company's capital structure consisted of 39.614% long-
- 5 term debt, 3.612% preferred stock, and 56.774% common equity. This is illustrated on
- 6 Schedule 2 attached to this testimony.
- 7 Q. Why isn't short-term debt included in AmerenUE's capital structure?
- 8 A. The Company does not use short-term debt as a permanent source of capital,
- 9 and accordingly this source of financing is not part of the Company's total capitalization.
- 10 Further, after adjusting monthly short-term debt balances by Construction Work in Progress,
- 11 AmerenUE's average short-term debt balance during the test year is \$0 or negative.
- Q. Is the Company's capital structure, as discussed above, reasonable and
- appropriate for use in this proceeding?
- 14 A. Yes, it is. As shown by Ms. Kathleen McShane in her testimony, the
- 15 Company's capital structure is comparable to that of other firms of comparable risk engaged
- in operations similar to that of AmerenUE's gas operations. I concur with her findings with
- 17 regard to this issue.
- 18 Q. How were the balances of the components of the Company's capital
- 19 structure determined?
- 20 A. The balance of long-term debt, \$1,690,457,143, is the carrying value of the
- 21 Company's long-term debt as calculated and used in the derivation of the embedded cost of
- 22 long-term debt using the net proceeds method. The long-term debt component of the
- 23 Company's capital structure excludes amounts outstanding under its nuclear fuel lease as this

- is a financing vehicle used solely to finance nuclear fuel used for electric generation purposes
- 2 at AmerenUE's Callaway nuclear plant. The balance of preferred stock, \$154,124,324, is
- 3 also the carrying value or net proceeds amount of AmerenUE's preferred stock as found in
- 4 the embedded cost calculation for this component of capitalization. The balance of common
- equity, \$2,422,752,000, was derived by adjusting the Company's stated value of common
- equity at June 30, 1999 of \$2,410,967,251 by amounts representing the acquisition costs and
- 7 undistributed earnings (\$11,784,749 in total) associated with investments in two subsidiaries,
- 8 Union Electric Development Corp. and Electric Energy, Inc.
  - Q. What is the embedded cost of the Company's long-term debt?
- 10 A. Using the net proceeds method, the embedded cost of the Company's long-
- term debt as of June 30, 1999 is 7.080%. Schedule 3 provides the details of this calculation.
- 12 The calculation excludes the amounts outstanding under the Company's nuclear fuel lease
- and the cost of this type of financing for the reason cited above.
- 14 Q. In calculating the Company's cost of long-term debt, how did you treat
- the \$125,000,000 series of first mortgage bonds which matured October 15, 1999?
- A. The Company had a series of first mortgage bonds (\$125,000,000 6.75%
- 17 Series) which matured on October 15, 1999. This maturity occurred after the end of the test
- 18 year and after the embedded cost calculation was performed but prior to AmerenUE's filing
- of this case. As AmerenUE has not yet determined the manner in which this capital will be
- 20 replaced, I made the assumption that the maturing series would be refinanced with a similar
- 21 issuance of long-term debt. The most applicable pricing (based on the forward U.S. Treasury
- curve for benchmark 30-year bonds) at the time of preparing the embedded cost calculation
- 23 for 30-year first mortgage debt issued by an S&P AA rated electric utility was 8.00%.

- 1 Schedule 4 provides the details of this calculation. Next, I included amounts representing
- 2 approximate costs of issuing this new series of bonds and included these issuance expenses in
- 3 the embedded cost calculation as is the case for similar expenses incurred in connection with
- 4 the Company's other debt issues. Schedule 4 also provides detail supporting these estimated
- 5 issuance expenses.

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- Q. How did you treat the cost of the Company's variable interest rate environmental improvement obligations?
- A. For the Company's debt obligations with respect to tax-exempt environmental improvement securities which have variable interest rates, I had to provide an estimate of the applicable coupon or interest rate, associated with these series as part of the embedded cost calculation. For this purpose I considered the current pricing of these series to be the most relevant. Schedule 5 provides the applicable interest rates in detail.
- Q. Are expenses associated with the Company's issuance of long-term debt securities considered in developing the embedded cost of this component of the capital structure?
- A. Yes, they are. Expenses associated with the issuance of long-term debt, including discount or premium, plus the amortization of any loss incurred in acquiring/redeeming prior series, are included in the embedded cost of long-term debt calculation. These costs are illustrated in the cost calculation shown on Schedule 3 and in greater detail on Schedule 6.
  - Q. What is the embedded cost of the Company's preferred stock?

- A. Using the net proceeds method, the embedded cost of the Company's preferred stock as of June 30, 1999 is 5.721%. Schedule 7 provides the details of this calculation.
  - Q. Are expenses associated with the Company's issuance of preferred stock considered in developing the embedded cost of this component of the capital structure?
  - A. Yes, they are. Expenses associated with the issuance of preferred stock, including discount and premium, plus any loss incurred in acquiring/redeeming prior series are included in the embedded cost of preferred stock calculation. These costs are illustrated in the cost calculation shown on Schedule 7. Though unlike similar expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of long-term debt, these expenses are not amortized over the life of the particular series of preferred stock due to the perpetual nature of this form of capitalization. AmerenUE's preferred stock does not have stated maturities. Dividends are payable on these securities in perpetuity.

#### Q. What is the cost of AmerenUE's common equity?

A. In her testimony in this case, Ms. Kathleen McShane develops and supports a fair return on common equity for AmerenUE's Missouri gas operations of 12.75-13.00%. For purposes of determining the overall rate of return in this proceeding I am using the midpoint of the range developed by Ms. McShane, 12.875%, as the Company's cost of common equity.

#### Q. What is the overall fair rate of return for AmerenUE?

A. As shown on Schedule 8, as of June 30, 1999, the overall fair rate of return for AmerenUE is 10.322%. This result was derived by using the capital structure and embedded costs of long-term debt and preferred stock discussed above and illustrated on the various

Direct Testimony of Lee R. Nickloy

- 1 Schedules attached to this testimony along with the cost of common equity developed in Ms.
- 2 McShane's testimony.
- Q. Does this conclude your testimony?
- 4 A. Yes, it does.

Sponsoring Witness: Lee R. Nickloy

Direct Testimony
Sponsoring Party: Union Electric Company
d/b/a AmerenUE

Case No: GR-2000-512

#### List of Schedules

Schedule No.	Description of Schedule
1	Qualifications of Lee R. Nickloy
2	Capital Structure
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7	Embedded Cost of Preferred Stock
8	Weighted Average Cost of Capital

#### QUALIFICATIONS OF LEE R. NICKLOY

My name is Lee R. Nickloy, and my business address is 1901 Chouteau Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63103. I am Manager Corporate Development for Ameren Services Company. I also hold the position of Assistant Treasurer for several of Ameren Corporation's subsidiaries.

In my current position, I am responsible for monitoring and maintenance of the cost of capital, management and administration of long-term financing, coordination of all short-term liquidity facilities including bank lines of credit, as well as activities relating to the assessment of potential investments. I have been employed by Ameren since August 1998.

During late 1995 I became Manager of Counterparty Risk for TransCanada Energy USA Inc. In this position I managed the company's counterparty risk exposure for a broad range of energy trading and marketing businesses and natural gas processing assets. This responsibility entailed detailed assessment of the financial condition and capitalization of the company's counterparties and trading partners. I conducted financial due diligence for the company's new business and asset acquisition group. In this position I also negotiated and managed the company's domestic bank financing facilities and parental guarantees. I left the company in 1998 accepting a position with Ameren.

In 1994 I accepted the position of Assistant Treasurer with Enjet, Inc., a privately-held crude oil refining and products trading company based in Houston, TX with operations in the U.S. Gulf Coast area and internationally. I was promoted to Treasurer later that same year and was responsible for financing the company's operational and trading activities. I negotiated and managed all financing facilities, issued debt, was responsible for banking relationships and cash management, and directed the company's trading activities to maximize profitability given certain capital constraints.

Upon graduation from college I was employed by Shell Oil Company in the Chicago, IL marketing division. In 1992, I was promoted to Financial Analyst in the company's refining and marketing organization and transferred to the company's headquarters in Houston, TX.

I graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree from Christian Brothers University in Memphis, Tennessee in 1989. I earned a triple concentration in the Economics/Finance, Management, and Marketing programs of study.

#### Union Electric Company (AmerenUE) Case No. GR-2000-512 Capital Structure

at June 30, 1999

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-		PERCENT
CAPITAL COMPONENT	AMOUNT	OF TOTAL
Short-Term Debt	\$0	0.000%
Long-Term Debt	\$1,690,457,143	39.614%
Preferred Stock	\$154,124,324	3.612%
Common Equity	\$2,422,752,000	56.774%
TOTAL	\$4,267,333,467	100.000%

Union Electric Company (AmeranUE) Case No. GR-2000-512 Embedded Cost of Long-Term Debt

At June 30, 1999

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First Mangage Bonds   7650%   28-Jan-92   15-Jan-02   160,000,000   5192,440   5586,153   5290,944   5584,912   599,124,144   57,650,000   518,600,000   5	ι –	First Mortgage Bonds	8 330%	04-Dec-91	16-Dec-02		\$75,000,000		\$78,884	\$846,006	\$74,075,110	\$6,247,500		\$23,088	\$241,718	\$6,512,304	
First Mangage Bonds         6 875%   1-Feb-83         01-Feb-83         01-Aug-Ou         \$189,000,000         \$612,440         \$596,153         \$2,011,719         \$184,779,688         \$12,025,000           First Mangage Bonds         7,375%   1-Feb-83         101-Aug-Ou         \$845,000,000         \$329,240         \$2,142,000         \$45,000,000         \$209,000         \$200,000	6	First Mongage Bonds	7.650%	28-Jan-92	15-34-03		\$100,000,000		\$280,944	\$594,912	\$99,124,144	\$7,650,000		\$70,236	\$148,728	\$7,868,964	
Free Mangage Bonds         7.375%         16.Dec-04         \$86,000,000         \$86,000,000         \$132,462         \$2.778,264         \$81,309,764         \$86,288,750           Frie Mangage Bonds         6.750%         10.HMay-20         10.HMay	-	First Montgage Bonds	8.875%	01-Feb-83	01-Aug-04		\$188,000,000	\$812,440	\$596,153	\$2,011,719	\$184,779,688	\$12,925,000	\$120,480	117,276	\$395,748	\$13,558,504	
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First Managage Bonds   7,400%   01-Mag-20   910,000,000   \$125,000,000   \$125,000   \$21,42,000   \$21,42,000   \$24,440,000	•	First Margage Bonds	8.750%	01-May-93	01-May-08		\$148,000,000	3369,940	\$716,772	\$1,282,494	\$145,830,794	000'066'6\$	\$41,880	\$81,144	\$145,188	\$10,258,212	
First Modgage Bonds         8 750%         01-Dec-21         \$125,000,000         \$125,000,000         \$298,659         \$3.887,026         \$119,884,787         \$10,337,500           First Modgage Bonds         8 2.50%         15-Oce-22         \$16-Oce-22         \$1	-	First Mongage Bonds	7.400%	01-May-90	01-May-20	80,00	\$80,000,000	\$833,250	\$635,000	\$2,142,000	\$56,389,750	\$4,440,000	966 66\$	\$30,480	\$102,816	\$4,613,292	
First Marging Bonds   8.2509k   15-Oct-92   15-Oct-22   8104,000   000   8104,200   81	-	First Mortgage Bonds	8.750%	01-Dec-91	01-Dec-21		\$125,000,000	\$298,859	\$939,348	\$3,867,026	\$118,894,767	\$10,937,500	\$13,332	\$41,904	\$172,212	\$11,164,948	
First Managage Bonds   15 Dec-02   15 De	•	First Mongage Bonds	8.250%	15-Oct-92	15-04-22		\$104,000,000	\$837,200	089'068\$	\$1,403,030	\$100,869,090	\$8,580,000	\$35,880		\$115,318	\$8,769,370	
First Mangage Bonds         7.150%         01-Aug-82         \$175,000,000         \$175,000,000         \$175,000         \$17			8.000%	15-Dec-82	15-060-22		\$85,000,000	\$821,748	\$612,788	\$3,278,264	\$80,287,202	\$6,800,000	\$34,968		\$223,518	\$7,084,562	
Free Managage Bonds         7,000%         15-Jan-24         16-Jan-24		First Mortgage Bonds	7.150%	01-Aug-93	01-Aug-23	\$75,000,000	\$75,000,000	\$875,682	\$667,012		\$73,857,306	\$5,362,500	\$28,056	\$27,696		\$5,418,252	
Fret Marginga Bonds         5.450%         01-Oct-28         \$44,000,000         \$44,000,000         \$285,363         \$524,043         \$150,594         \$2,380,000           Environmental Improvement, 1985Ads         4.063%         01-Jun-15         \$126,500         \$126,500         \$587,325         \$484,489         \$649,973         \$124,788,203         \$5,177,882           Environmental Improvement, 1985Ads         3.845%         01-Dec-21         \$126,500         \$42,565,000         \$44,565         \$146,373         \$84,837,540         \$46,622,000         \$180,600         \$146,000,600         \$156,000         \$160,600         \$	12	First Mortgage Bonds	7.000%	15-Jan-94	15-Jan-24	\$100,000,000	\$100,000,000	Ĺ	\$780,215		\$99,084,025	\$7,000,000	\$6,336			\$7.037,260	
Environmental Improvementa, 1965448**  4.063% 01-Jun-16 \$126,500,000 \$126,500,000 \$587,325 \$494,499 \$649,973 \$124,768,203 \$5,177,645 Environmental Improvement, 1962**  3.845% 01-Jun-86 0	=	First Mortgage Bonds	5.450%	01-Oct-83	01-Oct-28	\$44,000,000	\$44,000,000		\$524,043		\$43,190,594	\$2,398,000	\$9,756	\$17,916		\$2,425,672	
Emironmental Improvement, 1981 1 3945% 01-Dec-20 \$42,585,000 \$44,585,000 \$42,5		Environmental Improvement, 1985ALB **	4.093%	01-Jun-85	01-Jun-15		\$126,500,000		\$494,498	\$649,973	\$124,788,203	\$5,177,845	\$36,900	\$31,068	\$40,836	\$5,286,449	
Environmental improvement, 1982 *** 3.880% (0.1-Dec-82) 10.1-Dec-82 (0.1-Dec-82) 10.000 \$47,500,000 \$87,500,000 \$872,004 \$505,876 \$46.822,089 \$1,890,550 B5	15	Environmental Improvement, 1991**	3.945%	01-Dec-91	01-Dec-20	\$42,585,000	\$42,585,000		\$343,886	\$1,403,588	\$40,837,548	\$1 679,978		\$16,056	\$192,480	\$1,888,514	
Enforcemental improvement, 1984/84C 01-Sep-89 01-Sep-83 \$160,000,000 \$160,000,000 \$537,300 \$2,150,040 \$156,208,730 \$5,056,000 \$50,000,000 \$1,00		Environmental Improvement, 1992 **	3.880%	01-Dec-92	01-Dec-22	\$47,500,000	\$47 500,000		\$372,044	\$505,876	\$46,622,080	\$1,890,500		\$15,888	\$22,104	\$1,928,492	
Subordinated Detainables 7.890%   16-Dec-36   15-Dec-36   365,500,000   \$65,500,000   \$537,300   \$109,350   \$64,653,350   \$5,036,950   \$7,731,085,000   \$6,147,329   \$11,067,336   \$23,413,182   \$1,890,467,143   \$116,489,823	11		3.816%	01-Sep-88	01-Sep-33	\$160,000,000	\$160,000,000		\$1,641,230	\$2,150,040	\$156,208,730	\$6,105,600		\$48,036	\$62,928	\$6,216,584	
TOTAL LONG-TERM DEBT   \$1,731,086,000  \$6,47,329   \$1,1067,336   \$23,413,192   \$1,890,457,143   \$116,489,923			7.890%	16-Dec-98	15-Dec-36		\$65,500,000	008,7528	\$109,350		\$64,853,350	\$5,036,950	\$14,328	\$2,916		\$5,054,194	
	2	TOTAL LONG-TERM DEBT	L				\$1,731,085,000	\$6,147,329	\$11,067,336	\$23,413,192	\$1,690,457,143	\$116,489,923	\$405,996	107,196	12,087,110	1119,690,225	7.080%

\* proposed new mausines to refinance 6.75% series due Oct. 15, 1996 \*\* variable rate issuance, Interest rate used is the current effective rate (927/99)

Carrying Value = Face Amount Oustanding less Unsurontized Discount, lesuance Expenses, and Loss on Rescripted Debt C10 = C5 - C7 - C9 - C9 - Amustized interest Expense = Amusi Coupon interest plue Amusi Amortization of Discount, Issuance Expenses, and Loss on Rescripted Debt C15 = C11 + C12 + C13 + C14

Embedded Cool = Amusikzed Interest Expense divided by Carrying Value C16 = C15 / C10

#### Union Electric Company Indicative Coupon Estimate Refinancing \$125MM 6.75% FMB's due 10/99

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1	anticipated refinancing	late 1999 d	or during 2000		
2	30-year first mortgag	e debt			
3	30-Year U.S. Treasury	Bond future	es traded at CB	ЮТ	6.670%
4	Sept. 23, 1999 settle				
		F	PRICE	IMPLIED	
	CONTRACT	PTS & 32'S	DECIMAL	ANNUAL YIELD	
5	Dec-99	114-14	\$114.437500	6.800%	
6	Mar-00	94-25	\$94.781250	6.580%	
7	Jun-00	94-08	\$94.250000	6.630%	
8	AVG			6.670%	
	of the CBOT from 8% to 6	-	Bond futures contr	act will change	
9	Current (Sept. 20, 199	(Q) credit en	read for publich	/ underwritten	1.3250%
10	senior secured bond	•			1.3230 /6
11	credit quality (30-yea	•		30174	
11	Crean quanty (00 year	ii, mon oana	1010).		
12		130-135 ba	isis points		
13		midpoint =	1.3250%		
4.4	Indicative courses some		eset basis a -!at		 B 600/
14	Indicative coupon rour	iueu lo neal	iesi dasis doint		8.00%

#### Union Electric Company Estimated Issuance Costs for First Mortgage 30-Year Series

LINE NO. 1	principal amount = \$100,000,000	
2	1. Underwriting Fees - 87.5 basis points	\$875,000
3	2. Other costs of issuance including:	\$250,000
	printing legal fees registration fees rating agency fees filing fees accountants fees notices miscellaneous	
4	TOTAL	\$1,125,000
5	annual amortization for a 30-year issuance ≂	\$37,500

#### Union Electric Company Variable Rate Debt Current Effective Coupons

at June 30, 1999

LINE
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SERIES	DATE SET	RATE (1)	FEES (2)	ALL-IN COST
1991 MATES	10-Sep-99	3.695%	0.25000%	3.945%
1992 MATES	25-Aug-99	3.730%	0.25000%	3.980%
1998 A	22-Sep-99	3.550%	0.25000%	3.800%
1998 B	01-Sep-99	3.550%	0.25000%	3.800%
1998 C	15-Sep-99	3.600%	0.25000%	3.850%
1985 A	14-Sep-99	3.650%	0.53200%	4.182%
1985 B	15-Jul-99	3.450%	0.53200%	3.982%

(1) Current rates as of Sept. 27, 1999

(2) Fees include:

MATES series: broker-dealer fees 1998 A,B&C: broker-dealer fees

1985 A&B: letter of credit fees and remarketing agent fees

#### Weighted Averages:

#### 1998 A,B&C

SERIES	PRINCIPAL	ALL-IN COST
Α	\$60,000,000	3.800%
В	\$50,000,000	3.800%
С	\$50,000,000	3.850%
WTD AVG		3.816%

#### 1985A&B

SERIES	PRINCIPAL	ALL-IN COST
Α	\$70,000,000	4.182%
В	\$56,500,000	3.982%
WTD AVG		4.093%

### UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY UNAMORTIZED DEBT EXPENSE, DISCOUNT /PREMIUM AND LOSS ON REACQUIRED DEBT

				BALANCE AT 6/				ANNUAL MORTIZATION	•
			UNAMORTIZED	LOSS ON	DISCOUNT ON			F BALANCES	
LINE				REACQUIRED DEBT			181 OR		
NO.	TITLE		ACCOUNT 181	ACCOUNT 189	ACCOUNT 226	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>189</u>	<u>226</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1	\$50 MILLION 7%	20		318,000		318,000	36,000		36,000
2	\$35 MILLION 7.375%	21		280,476		280,476	31,752		31,752
3	\$40 MILLION 7%	22		464,134		464,134	38,148		38,148
4	\$60 MILLION 9%	23		550,656		550,656	137,664		137,664
5	\$50 MILLION 7.875%	24		455,853		455,853	89,676		89,676
6	\$50 MILLION 7.625%	25		574,944		574,944	65,088		65,088
7	\$60 MILLION 8.125%	26		617,930		617,930	121,560		121,560
8	\$70 MILLION 8.375%	27		937,936		937,936	184,512		184,512
9	\$70 MILLION 10.5%	28		222,066		222,066	18,252		18,252
10	\$70 MILLION 8.875%	29		1,880,188		1,880,188	154,536		154,538
11	\$27.085 MILLION 5.8%	31		186,534		186,534	8,676		8,676
12	\$60 MILLION 8.625%	32		1,792,032		1,792,032	122,184		122,184
13	\$55 MILLION 9.35%	33		1,783,890		1,783,890	79,284		79,284
14	\$100 MILLION 9.95%	34		1,487,839		1,487,839	66,372		66,372
15	\$60 MILLION 9.625%	35		2,142,000		2,142,000	102,816		102,816
16	\$100 MILLION 9.375%	39		4,764,496		4,764,496	324,852		324,852
17	\$100 MILLION 8.875%	40		846,006.00		848,006	241,716		241,716
18	\$60 MILLION 7.4%	41	635,000		833,250	1,468,250	30,480	39,996	70,476
19	\$125 MILLION 8 3/4%	42	939,348		298,859	1,238,207	41,904	13,332	55,238
20	\$75 MILLION 8.33%	43	78,884		•	78,884	23,088		23,088
21	\$100 MILLION 7.65%	44	280,944			280,944	70,236		70,236
22	\$100 MILLION 6.75%	45	37,452		21,524	58,976	93,630	53,810	147,440
23	\$104 MILLION 8.25%	46	890,680		837,200	1,727,880	38,172	35,880	74.052
24	\$85 MILLION 7.375%	47	279,510		132,482	411,972	50,820	24,084	74,904
25	\$85 MILLION 8%	48	612,786		821,748	1,434,534	26,076	34,968	61,044
26	\$188 MILLION 6.875%	49	596,153		612,440	1,208,593	117,278	120,480	237,756
27	\$148 MILLION 6.75%	50	716,772		369,940	1,086,712	81,144	41.880	123,024
28	\$7 MILLION 10.75%	52	•	22.865	,	22.885	1,020	11,000	1,020
29	\$5 MILLION 8%	55		66,722		66,722	5,484		5,484
30	\$12 MILLION 9.375%	56		174,581		174,581	7.788		7.788
31	\$7 MILLION 7.75%	57		109.074		109,074	12,348		12,348
32	\$10 MILLION 10%	58		259.854		259,854	11,592		11,592
33	\$4 MILLION 9.376%	62		51,648		51,648	2,304		2,304
34	\$6 MILLION 8.5%	63		44,258		44,258	11,064		11,064
35	\$10 MILLION 8.25%	68		74,606		74,606	6,132		6,132
36	\$4 MILLION 7.95%	69		44,384		44,384	3,648		3,645
37	SS MILLION 9.25%	70		86,349		86,349	3,852		3,852
38	\$16.5 MILLION EIRB 1974 SERIES	80		75,078		75,078	3,492		3,692
39	\$22 MILLION EIRB 1975 SERIES	81		1.141.976		1,141,976	180,312		3,492 180,312
40	\$45 MILLION EIRB 1961 SERIES	82		599,931		599,931	37,692		37.692
41	\$20 MILLION EIRB 1982 SERIES	83	•	50,042		50,042	3,144		
42	\$150 MILLION EIRB 1984 A&B	84		2,150,040		2.150.040	62,928		3,144
43	\$47.5 MILLION EIRB 1984C SERIES	85	•		-				62,928
44	\$126.5 MILLION EIRB 1986 A&B	86	494,499	505,876	207 407	505,876	22,104		22,104
45	\$42.585 MILLION EIRB 1991	87	343,866		587,325	1,081,824	31,068	36,900	67,968
45 46	·		,			343,886	16,056		16,056
46 47	\$47.5 MILLION EIRB 1992 \$65.5 SDID 1997	88 89	372,044		247 ***	372,044	15,888	44.00	15,688
	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		109,350		537,300	646,650	2,916	14,328	17,244
48	\$160 MILLION EIRB 1998	90	1,641,230			1,641,230	48,036		48,036
49	\$75 MILLION 7.15%	101	667,012		675,682	1,342,694	27,596	28,056	55,752
50 51	\$44 MILLION 5.45%	102	. 524,043		285,363	809,406	17,916	9,756	27,672
51	\$100 MILLION 7%	103	.» <b>760,21</b> 5		156,760	915,975	30,924	6,336	37,260
52	4		9,979,788	24,762,262	6,168,853	40,910,903 0	2,961,318	459,806	3,421,124

#### Union Electric Company Allocation of Loss on Reacquired Debt at 6/30/99

				ALLOCATED	TO CURRENT SERIES	3	TOT	AL BY SERIES	
LINE		LOSS ON	ANNUAL		LOSS ON	ANNUAL		loss on	ANNUAL
NO.	SERIES	REACQUIRED DEBT	AMORTIZATION	SERIES	REACQUIRED DEBT	<b>AMORTIZATION</b>	SERIES	REACQUIRED DEBT	AMORTIZATION
1	Series \$50MM, 7%	\$318,000	\$36,000	Series \$148MM, 6.75%	\$318,000	\$36,000	Series \$148MM, 6.75%	\$1,282,494	\$145,188
2	Series \$35MM, 7.375%	\$280,476	\$31,752	Series \$148MM, 6.75%	\$280,476	\$31,752	Series \$100MM, 6.75%	\$1,349,070	\$110,882
3	Series \$40MM, 7%	\$464,134	\$38,148	Series \$100MM, 6.75%	\$227,517	\$18,700	Series \$104MM, 8.25%	\$1,403,030	\$115,318
4				Series \$104MM, 8.25%	\$236,617	\$19,448	Series \$100MM, 7.65%	\$594,912	\$148,728
5	Series \$60MM, 9%	\$550,656	\$137,664	Series \$100MM, 7.65%	\$550,656	\$137,664	Series \$188MM, 6.875%	\$2,011,719	\$395,748
6	Series \$50MM, 7.875%	\$455,853	\$89,676	Series \$188MM, 6.875%	\$455,853	\$89,676	Series 1991 MATES	\$1,403,588	\$192,480
7	Series \$50MM, 7.625%	\$574,944	\$65,088	Series \$148MM, 6.75%	\$574,944	\$65,088	Series \$85MM, 7.375%	\$3,278,264	\$223,518
8	Series \$60MM, 8.125%	\$817,930	\$121,560	Series \$188MM, 6.875%	\$617,930	\$121,560	Series \$85MM, 8%	\$3,278,264	\$223,518
9	Series \$70MM, 8.375%	\$937,936	\$184,512	Series \$188MM, 6.875%	\$937,936	\$184,512	Series \$125MM, 8.75%	\$3,867,026	\$172,212
10	Series \$70MM, 10.5%	\$222,066	\$18,252	Series \$100MM, 6.75%	\$108,856	\$8,947	Series \$60MM, 7.4%	\$2,142,000	\$102,816
11				Series \$104MM, 8.25%	\$113,210	\$9,305	Series \$75MM, 8.33%	\$846,006	\$241,716
12	Series \$70MM, 8.875%	\$1,880,188	\$154,536	Series \$100MM, 6.75%	\$921,661	\$75,753	Series 1985A&B	\$649,973	\$40,836
13				Series \$104MM, 8.25%	\$958,527	\$78,783	Series 1992 MATES	\$505,876	\$22,104
14	Series \$27.085MM, 5.8%	\$186,534	\$8,676	Series 1991 MATES	\$186,534	\$8,676	Series 1998AB&C	\$2,150,040	\$62,928
15	Series \$60MM, 8.625%	\$1,792,032	\$122,184	Series \$85MM, 7.375%	\$896,016	\$61,092		\$24,762,262	\$2,197,992
16				Series \$85MM, 8%	\$896,016	\$61,092			
17	Series \$55MM, 9.35%	\$1,783,890	\$79,284	Series \$125MM, 8.75%	\$1,783,890	\$79,284			
18	Series \$100MM, 9.95%	\$1,487,839	\$66,372	Series \$125MM, 8.75%	\$1,487,839	\$66,372			
19	Series \$60MM, 9.625%	\$2,142,000	\$102,816	Series \$60MM, 7.4%	\$2,142,000	\$102,816			
20	Series \$100MM, 9.375%	\$4,764,496	\$324,852	Series \$85MM, 7.375%	\$2,382,248	\$162,426			
21				Series \$85MM, 8%	\$2,382,248	\$162,428			
22	Series \$100MM, 8.875%	\$846,006	\$241,716	Series \$75MM, 8.33%	\$846,006	\$241,716			
23	Series \$7MM, 10.75%	\$22,865	\$1,020	Series \$125MM, 8.75%	\$22,865	\$1,020			
24	Series \$5MM, 8%	\$66,722	\$5,484	Series \$100MM, 6.75%	\$32,707	\$2,688			
25	·			Series \$104MM, 8.25%	\$34,015	\$2,796			
26	Series \$12MM, 9.375%	\$174,581	\$7,788	Series \$125MM, 8.75%	\$174,581	\$7,788			
27	Series \$7MM, 7.75%	\$109,074	\$12,348	Series \$148MM, 6.75%	\$109,074	\$12,348			
28	Series \$10MM, 10%	\$259,854	\$11,592	Series \$125MM, 8.75%	\$259,854	\$11,592			
29	Series \$4MM, 9.375%	\$51,648	\$2,304	Series \$125MM, 8.75%	\$51,648	\$2,304			
30	Series \$6MM, 8.5%	\$44,256	\$11,064	Series \$100MM, 7.65%	<b>\$44,256</b>	\$11,064			
31	Series \$10MM, 8.25%	\$74,606	\$6,132	Series \$100MM, 6.75%	\$36,572	\$3,006			
32				Series \$104MM, 8.25%	\$38,034	\$3,126			
33	Series \$4MM, 7.95%	\$44,384	\$3,648	Series \$100MM, 6.75%	\$21,757	\$1,788			
34				Series \$104MM, 8.25%	\$22,627	\$1,860			
35	Series \$6MM, 9.25%	\$86,349	\$3,852	Series \$125MM, 8.75%	\$86,349	\$3,852			
38	Series, \$16.5MM, 1974	\$75,078	\$3,492	Series 1991 MATES	\$75,078	\$3,492			
37	Series \$22MM, 1975	\$1,141,976		Series 1991 MATES	\$1,141,976	\$180,312			
38	Series \$45MM, 1981	\$599,931		Series 1985A&B	\$599,931	\$37,692			
39	Series \$20MM, 1982	\$50,042	\$3,144	Series 1985A&B	\$50,042	\$3,144			
40	Series \$160MM, 1984A&B	\$2,150,040		Series 1998AB&C	\$2,150,040	\$62,928			
41	Series \$47.5MM, 1984C	\$505,876		Series 1992 MATES	\$505,876	\$22,104	-		
42		\$24,762,262	\$2,197,992		\$24,762,262	\$2,197,992			

## Union Electric Company (AmerenUE) Case No. GR-2000-512 Embedded Cost of Preferred Stock

at June 30, 1999

	<u> </u>				SHARES	PAR VALUE		ISSUANCE		ANNUAL	EMBEDDED
LINE	SERIES, TYPE, PAR	DIVIDEND	ISSUED	MATURITY	OUTSTANDING	OUTSTANDING	PREMIUM	EXPENSE/DISCOUNT	NET PROCEEDS	DIVIDEND	COST
NO.	C1	C2	С3	C4	C5	C6	C7	C8	C9	C10	C11
1	\$4.50 Series, Perpetual, \$100 par	\$4.500	01-May-41	-	213,595	\$21,359,500	(\$412,500)	\$27,794	\$21,744,206	\$961,178	
_ 2	\$5.50 Series, Perpetual, \$100 par	\$5.500	01-Oct-41	-	14,000	\$1,400,000			\$1,400,000	\$77,000	
3	\$3.70 Series, Perpetual, \$100 par	\$3.700	01-Oct-45	-	40,000	\$4,000,000	(\$21,996)	\$21,392	\$4,000,604	\$148,000	
4	\$3.50 Series, Perpetual, \$100 par	\$3.500	01-May-46	-	130,000	\$13,000,000	(\$910,000)	\$252,772	\$13,657,228	\$455,000	
5	\$4.30 Series, Perpetual, \$100 par	\$4.300	01-Jul-46	-	40,000	\$4,000,000			\$4,000,000	\$172,000	
6	\$4.75 Series, Perpetual, \$100 par	\$4.750	01-Oct-49	-	20,000	\$2,000,000			\$2,000,000	\$95,000	
_ 7	\$4.00 Series, Perpetual, \$100 par	\$4.000	01-Nov-49	-	150,000	\$15,000,000	(\$125,985)	\$68,881	\$15,057,104	\$600,000	
8	\$4.56 Series, Perpetual, \$100 par	\$4.560	01-Nov-63	-	200,000	\$20,000,000	(\$16,000)	\$47,633			
9	\$7.64 Series, Perpetual, \$100 par	\$7.640	01-Jan-93		330,000	\$33,000,000		\$342,278	\$32,657,722	\$2,521,200	
10	\$1.735 Series, Perpetual, \$25 par	\$1.735	01-Aug-93	-	1,657,500	\$41,437,500		\$1,798,407	\$39,639,093	\$2,875,763	
_ 11	TOTAL PREFERRED STOCK					\$155,197,000	(\$1,486,481)	\$2,559,157	\$154,124,324	\$8,817,140	5.721%

Net Proceeds = Par Value Outstanding plus Premium less Issuance Expense and Discount C9 = C6 + C7 - C8

Embedded Cost = Annual Dividend divided by Net Proceeds

C11 = C10 / C9

# Union Electric Company (AmerenUE) Docket No. Weighted Average Cost of Capital

at June 30, 1999

WEIGHTED

0.000%

2.805%

0.207%

7.310% **10.322%** 

COST

7.080%

5.721%

12.875%

LINE			PERCENT
NO.	CAPITAL COMPONENT	AMOUNT	OF TOTAL
1	Short-Term Debt	\$0	0.000%
2	Long-Term Debt	\$1,690,457,143	39.614%
3	Preferred Stock	\$154,124,324	3.612%
4	Common Equity	\$2,422,752,000	56.774%
5	TOTAL	\$4,267,333,467	

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overall rate of return 10.322%