

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a )  
Ameren Missouri's Purchase Gas Adjustment ) **Case No. GR-2020-0372**  
Tariff )

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its Recommendation, states as follows:

1. On May 14, 2020, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri (Company) filed a proposed tariff sheet bearing an effective date of June 1, 2020. The Company substituted the tariff sheet on May 18, 2020. This tariff sheet was 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.

2. In its *Order Directing Expedited Staff Recommendation And Setting Time For Responses* (Order), issued May 15, 2020, the Commission directed Staff to file a recommendation regarding the tariff sheet filed by the Company in tariff Tracking No. YG-2020-0199. The Order directed Staff to file its recommendation no later than noon on May 22, 2020, and any other entity to file any comments or response no later than noon May 25, 2020.

3. The change in the PGA factor will decrease natural gas cost to \$0.3500/Ccf from \$0.3994/Ccf for residential and general service customers. The interruptible sales customers' PGA factor will decrease to \$0.2510/Ccf from \$0.2684/Ccf.

4. For reasons more fully explained in Staff's Memorandum, attached hereto as Appendix A and incorporated herein, the PGA factor rate changes should be

approved on an interim, subject to refund status, pending final Commission decisions in ACA Case Nos. GR-2020-0372 (2019-2020) and GR-2020-0108 (2018-2019).

**WHEREFORE**, for the reasons stated in Staff's Memorandum, the Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order approving Ameren Missouri's tariff sheet in tariff Tracking No. YG-2020-0199, on an interim, subject to refund status.

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 all counsel of record this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2020.

**/s/ Robert S. Berlin**

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File  
Case No. GR-2020-0372, File No. YG-2020-0199  
Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri

**FROM:** Anne M. Crowe, Procurement Analysis

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/s/ Robert S. Berlin 5/22/2020  
Staff Counsel's Office/Date

**SUBJECT:** Staff Recommendation for Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri  
PGA Tariff Filing Effective June 1, 2020

**DATE:** May 22, 2020

Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri” or “Company”), of St. Louis, Missouri filed a tariff sheet on May 14, 2020 and a substitute tariff on May 18, 2020. This tariff sheet bears an effective date of June 1, 2020. This tariff sheet was 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 since it established its existing PGA rates last November.

On May 15, 2020, the Commission issued an Order requiring Staff to file a recommendation with regard to the tariff sheet no later than noon on May 22, 2020.

For Residential and General Service customers, the Total PGA rate filed by Ameren will decrease to \$.3500 per Ccf from the current Total PGA rate of \$.3994. The Interruptible sales customers’ Total PGA rate will decrease to \$.2510 from the current Total PGA rate of \$.2684.

Case No. GR-2020-0372, under which these changes were filed, was established to track the Company’s PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2019-2020 Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) filing. Case No. GR-2020-0108 was established to track the Company’s PGA factors to be reviewed in its 2018-2019 ACA filing. This rate change should be implemented on an interim, subject to refund status pending final Commission decisions in Case No. GR-2020-0372 and GR-2020-0108.

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

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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 May 14, 2020, as substituted on May 18, 2020, be approved on an interim basis, subject to refund:

P.S.C. MO. No. 2

116th Revised SHEET No. 30 Cancelling 115th Revised SHEET No. 30

