

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

In the Matter of Union Electric Company,)
d/b/a AmerenUE's Tariffs to Increase its) **File No. GR-2010-0363**
Annual Revenues for Gas Service) Tariff File No. YG-2010-0704

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE, SUSPENDING TARIFF, SETTING HEARINGS AND DIRECTING FILINGS

Issue Date: June 16, 2010

Effective Date: June 16, 2010

Background

On June 11, 2010, Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE submitted tariff sheets, with the Missouri Public Service Commission, designed to implement a general rate increase for gas service of approximately \$11.9 million. The average increase for residential customers would be \$87 per year.¹ The tariff sheets carry an effective date of July 11.

Suspension of the tariff sheets

The Commission is authorized to suspend the effective date of a proposed tariff for 120 days, plus an additional six months to allow time for the Commission to hold a hearing.² Rates charged by a gas corporation must be just and reasonable.³ Because it cannot determine whether the proposed rates are just and reasonable before the tariff effective date of July 11, the Commission will suspend the tariff for 120 days beyond the requested effective date. Further, to properly conduct and conclude a hearing, the Commission will suspend the tariff for an additional six months.

¹ UE Exhibit 1, Schedule 4, Page 1.

² Section 393.150, RSMo.

³ Section 393.130.1

Test Year, True-up and Local Public Hearing

AmerenUE used a historical test year ending December 31, 2009, to be updated for known and measurable changes through November 30, 2010. To resolve any test-year or true-up questions, the Commission will require the parties to state their positions regarding AmerenUE's proposals.

Additionally, the Commission will direct the parties to file recommendations regarding the scheduling of local public hearings. Any party recommending that local public hearings be held, shall also recommend the number, dates, times and locations of those hearings.

Hearings, Customer Notice, and Prehearing Conference

Through this order, the Commission will set both an early prehearing conference and an evidentiary hearing and require the parties to file a proposed procedural schedule. The Staff of the Commission shall have primary responsibility for preparing the proposed procedural schedule, and should coordinate the proposed schedule with the other parties.

Notice and Intervention

The Commission's Data Center shall serve a copy of this order upon the county commissions of the counties in AmerenUE's gas service area.⁴ Additionally, the Commission's Public Information Office shall make notice of this order available to the media serving AmerenUE's gas service area and to the members of the General Assembly representing constituents in that area. The Commission will allow those who might be interested 20 days from the date of this order to seek intervention.

⁴ The counties served by AmerenUE gas are: Audrain, Bollinger, Boone, Butler, Callaway, Cape Girardeau, Cole, Cooper, Dent, Gasconade, Howard, Lincoln, Miller, Moniteau, Montgomery, Morgan, Phelps, Pike, Ralls, Randolph, St. Charles, Saline, Scott, Stoddard and Warren.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The tariff sheets submitted under Tariff File No. YG-2010-0704 on June 11, 2010, by Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, are suspended for 120 days or until November 8, 2010.
2. The tariff sheets suspended for 120 days through ordered paragraph 1, above, are suspended an additional six months to May 8, 2011.
3. The specific tariff sheets suspended are:

P.S.C. Mo. No. 2

4th Revised Sheet No. 2, Cancelling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 2
7th Revised Sheet No. 5, Cancelling 6th Revised Sheet No. 5
6th Revised Sheet No. 6, Cancelling 5th Revised Sheet No. 6
1st Revised Sheet No. 6.1, Cancelling Original Sheet No. 6.1
6th Revised Sheet No. 7, Cancelling 5th Revised Sheet No. 7
3rd Revised Sheet No. 9, Cancelling 2nd Revised Sheet No. 9
9th Revised Sheet No. 10, Cancelling 8th Revised Sheet No. 10
6th Revised Sheet No. 11, Cancelling 5th Revised Sheet No. 11
8th Revised Sheet No. 12, Cancelling 7th Revised Sheet No. 12
7th Revised Sheet No. 13, Cancelling 6th Revised Sheet No. 13
2nd Revised Sheet No. 16.4, Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 16.4
2nd Revised Sheet No. 16.5, Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 16.5
2nd Revised Sheet No. 16.6, Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 16.6
1st Revised Sheet No. 16.7, Cancelling Original Sheet No. 16.7
1st Revised Sheet No. 16.8, Cancelling Original Sheet No. 16.8
4th Revised Sheet No. 21, Cancelling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 21
8th Revised Sheet No. 22, Cancelling 7th Revised Sheet No. 22
7th Revised Sheet No. 23, Cancelling 6th Revised Sheet No. 23
7th Revised Sheet No. 24, Cancelling 6th Revised Sheet No. 24
7th Revised Sheet No. 25, Cancelling 6th Revised Sheet No. 25
8th Revised Sheet No. 26, Cancelling 7th Revised Sheet No. 26
8th Revised Sheet No. 27, Cancelling 7th Revised Sheet No. 27
10th Revised Sheet No. 28, Cancelling 9th Revised Sheet no. 28
11th Revised Sheet No. 29, Cancelling 10th Revised Sheet No. 29
5th Revised Sheet No. 29.1, Cancelling 4th Revised Sheet No. 29.1
4th Revised Sheet No. 33, Cancelling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 33
4th Revised Sheet No. 34, Cancelling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 34

4. Applications to intervene shall be filed no later than July 6, 2010 with:

Steven C. Reed, Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
Post Office Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0360

5. The Staff of the Commission, the Office of the Public Counsel and applicants for intervention shall file, no later than July 16, 2010 a pleading indicating a position with regard to AmerenUE's recommended test year and true-up.

6. An early prehearing conference shall be held on July 29, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri.

7. The parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule on or before August 5, 2010. The Staff of the Commission shall have primary responsibility for filing the proposed procedural schedule.

8. The parties shall file recommendations as to the time, dates and locations for local public hearings on or before August 5, 2010.

9. An evidentiary hearing is scheduled for January 31, 2011, beginning at 8:30 a.m., through February 4, and February 7 through February 11. February 22 and 23 are reserved for a true-up hearing, if such hearing is ordered. The evidentiary hearing shall be held in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri.

10. Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE shall notify each affected customer of the scheduled hearings. The form and time of the notice shall be agreed upon by the parties and shall be filed for the Commission's approval no later than August 5, 2010.

11. The Commission's Data Center shall serve a copy of this order upon the county commission of each county within AmerenUE's gas service area.

12. The Commission's Public Information Office shall make notice of this order available to the members of the General Assembly representing AmerenUE's gas service area and to the news media serving AmerenUE's gas service area.

13. All hearings shall be held in a building that meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If any person needs additional accommodations to participate in any hearing, please call the Missouri Public Service Commission's Hotline at 800-392.4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

14. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Reed', is written over a faint, circular embossed seal of the Missouri Public Service Commission.

Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Kennard L. Jones, Senior Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 16th day of June, 2010.