

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

Noranda Aluminum, Inc. et al.,)	
)	
Complainants,)	
v.)	File No. EC-2014-0224
)	
Union Electric Company, d/b/a)	
Ameren Missouri)	
Respondent.)	

**AMEREN MISSOURI’S REPLY TO COMPLAINANTS’
RESPONSE TO MOTION TO MODIFY PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

COMES NOW Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri” or the "Company") and for its *Reply to Complainants' Response to Motion to Modify Procedural Schedule*, states as follows:

1. On May 5, 2014, Complainants filed a motion requesting that the hearings in this case be moved to either June 10th and 11th or, alternatively, June 9th and 10th on the grounds that one of their attorneys had a conflict the week of June 16. On May 7, 2014, Ameren Missouri responded, indicating that its counsel and a witness had conflicts on June 9 or 10 (and on June 12 and 13), meaning that Complainants’ proposed revised dates would not work for Ameren Missouri. If the Commission were inclined to move the current hearing dates of June 16-17, Ameren Missouri offered the alternative of June 23rd and 24th.

2. On May 9, 2014, Complainants filed a pleading which stated that June 10th and 11th appeared to work for all parties. Complainants May 9th filing misstates Ameren Missouri's prior response.

3. Due to several conflicts, as summarized above, and as previously provided to the Commission, the week of June 9th does not work for Ameren Missouri.

4. Ameren Missouri does not have conflicts the week of June 23rd and, although it appears that Complainants do not prefer it, Complainants have not stated that they have conflicts during the week of June 23rd. Moving the hearing seven days later avoids the conflicts for both Ameren Missouri and for Complainants and would seem to be the best solution of the dates proposed¹. Alternatively, Ameren Missouri does not object to leaving the hearing dates as originally scheduled by the Commission.

WHEREFORE, Ameren Missouri respectfully informs the Missouri Public Service Commission that it does not oppose moving the hearing dates so that the Complainants' counsel can attend the arbitration hearing the week of June 16 so as to avoid conflicts for Complainants, but respectfully requests it be moved to the week of June 23, 2014, rather than to any time during the week of June 9, 2014, in order to avoid conflicts for Ameren Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ Complainants also should not be heard to object to moving the hearings back approximately one week, as well as moving the post-hearing deadlines in the revised procedural order back a like number of days. While Complainants desire a very quick resolution of this case, having it resolved in 182 days (by August 13) instead of 175 days (by August 6) is an immaterial change in the timeline for processing this case.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have this 12th day of May, 2014, served the foregoing either by electronic means, or by U. S. Mail, postage prepaid addressed to all parties of record.

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