

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

In the Matter of the Energy Efficient	)	
Natural Gas Equipment Program Tariff of	)	
Union Electric Company, d/b/a	)	Case No. GT-2007-0322
AmerenUE	)	

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and submits its Recommendation in the above captioned case.

1. On March 2, 2007, Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (UE or Company) filed tariff sheet proposing to revise and continue its Missouri Energy Efficient Natural Gas Equipment Rebate Program (Rebate Program).

2. This tariff filing is in compliance with the numbered paragraph “8” of the Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement (S&A) filed and approved by the Commission in Case No. GR-2003-0517, dated December 10, 2003.

3. The purpose of the Rebate Program is to encourage more effective utilization of natural gas by encouraging energy efficiency improvements with economic incentives for choosing high-efficiency natural gas equipment with the Energy Star® rating.

4. The parties to Case No. GR-2003-0517, consisting of representatives of the Company, Staff, the Office of the Public Counsel (OPC), and the MoDNR (Collaborative) developed the details to implement the program. The Collaborative agreed that it would be appropriate for any unspent funds to be allocated as shown in the attached table.

5. The proposed tariff sheet have an effective date of April 2, 2007, and the Rebate Program will conclude September 30, 2007, or when the applications for rebates exhaust the funds allocated.

6. Staff concurs with the Company on the need for program continuity.

WHEREFORE, as stated in the attached Appendix A, Staff recommends approval of the proposed tariff sheets.

Respectfully submitted,

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