

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Union Electric Company	)	
d/b/a AmerenUE's Purchased Gas	)	<b><u>File No. GR-2009-0337</u></b>
Adjustment Factors to be Audited in its	)	Tariff No. YG-2010-0287
2008-2009 Actual Cost Adjustment	)	

## ORDER APPROVING INTERIM RATES

Issue Date: October 28, 2009

Effective Date: November 1, 2009

On October 16, 2009, Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE, filed four tariff sheets proposed to become effective November 1, 2009. The tariff sheets were filed to reflect a change in AmerenUE's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as a result of estimated changes in the cost of natural gas for the 2009-2010 winter season. AmerenUE filed substitute tariff sheets on October 20 to correct a formatting issue with the tariff.

AmerenUE's tariff filing will leave the firm PGA factor for the 2009-2010 winter season unchanged at \$0.7500 per Ccf for all service areas except the Rolla service area. For the Rolla service area, the PGA will increase to \$1.09 per Ccf from the current PGA factor of \$0.9500 per Ccf. The change represents an increase of \$0.1400 per Ccf.

The Commission's Staff filed its recommendation on October 23, 2009. Staff filed an amended recommendation on October 26 to correct a typographical error in the original recommendation. Staff recommends the rates be approved on an interim basis, subject to refund pending final Commission decisions in Case Nos. GR-2007-0256, GR-2008-0367, and GR-2009-0268. Staff recommends the tariff become effective on November 1, 2009.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariff sheets and Staff's recommendation. The Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheets conform to AmerenUE's Commission-approved PGA Clause. In addition, because AmerenUE's PGA clause in its tariff allows for PGA change filings to take effect on ten days' notice, good cause has been shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, to permit the tariffs to become effective on less than 30 days' notice. The Commission concludes that the proposed tariff sheets should be approved to become effective on November 1, 2009, on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in Case Nos. GR-2009-0337, GR-2008-0366, and GR-2008-0107.

AmerenUE also filed information regarding its Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) factor. Staff requests that it be allowed until December 31, 2010, to review and file its recommendation for the ACA factor. The Commission finds this request to be reasonable and will direct Staff to file its recommendation as set out below.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The proposed tariff sheets filed on October 16, 2009, by Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE, are approved, as substituted, on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in Case Nos. GR-2009-0337, GR-2008-0366, and GR-2008-0107, for service rendered on and after November 1, 2009. The specific tariff sheets approved are:

**P.S.C. MO. No. 2**

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**97<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 30, Canceling 96<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 30  
10<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 30.1, Canceling 9<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 30.1  
103<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 31, Canceling 102<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 31  
98<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 32, Canceling 97<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 32**

2. The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file its recommendation regarding the 2008-2009 Actual Cost Adjustment factor no later than December 31, 2010.

3. This order shall become effective on November 1, 2009.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

( S E A L )



Steven C. Reed  
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge  
By delegation of authority pursuant to  
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2009