BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a)	
Ameren Missouri Concerning a Natural Gas)	File No. GS-2016-0159
Incident at 3404 Georgia Street in)	
Louisiana, Missouri)	

STAFF'S STATUS REPORT AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME CONCERNING INVESTIGATION OF A GAS SAFETY INCIDENT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and respectfully states as follows regarding its investigation of the natural gas incident that occurred on November 27, 2015, at 3404 Georgia Street in Louisiana, Missouri:

- 1. On December 21, 2015, Staff filed *Staff's Motion to Establish a Case for Investigation of a Gas Safety Incident* ("Motion") which occurred on November 27, 2015, in Louisiana, Missouri, an area served by Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri"). The Motion recommended that the Commission establish a case for purposes of receiving a report resulting from the investigation of the incident by the Commission's Safety Engineering Unit and that the Commission direct that such report, or a status report, be filed within 180 days.
- 2. On January 6, 2016, the Commission issued an *Order Opening File and Directing Filing* in which the Commission opened this investigatory docket (GS-2016-0159) and ordered Staff to file a report regarding the incident or a report on the status of its investigation no later than June 20, 2016.
- 3. To date, Staff's investigation has involved both field investigation and communicating with Ameren Missouri regarding the incident, including the issuance of

several data requests to Ameren Missouri. Staff's investigation is ongoing and Staff continues to gather information concerning the incident. At this time, Staff anticipates the need for additional field investigation, as well as additional data requests, regarding the incident.

4. Since Staff is continuing to gather information concerning the incident and anticipates the need for both additional field investigation and data requests regarding the incident, Staff will not be able to file a final report resulting from its investigation of the incident by June 20, 2016. Therefore, Staff is submitting this status report on its investigation and requesting an extension until October 21, 2016, to file either a report resulting from its investigation of the incident or a further status report of its investigation.

WHEREFORE, Staff submits this status report and respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order granting Staff until October 21, 2016, to file either a report resulting from its investigation of the incident or a further status report of its investigation.

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 counsel of record this 3rd day of June 2016.

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