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RE: EM-96-149

Dear Mr. Roberts:

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Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and fourteen (14) conformed copies of a CASE NO. EO-96-14 LIST AND SCHEDULE OF ISSUES TO BE HEARD, ORDER OF WITNESSES AND ORDER OF CROSS-EXAMINATION.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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



In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric
Company for an Order Authorizing: (1) Certain Merger
Transactions Involving Union Electric Company; (2) the
Transfer of Certain Assets, Real Estate, Leased Property,
Easements and Contractual Agreements to Central Illinois
Public Service Company; and (3) In Connection
Therewith, Certain Other Related Transactions

Missouri Public Service Commission

Case No. EM-96-149

# CASE NO. EO-96-14 LIST AND SCHEDULE OF ISSUES TO BE HEARD, ORDER OF WITNESSES AND ORDER OF CROSS-EXAMINATION

On May 20, 1999, the Staff filed with the Commission in Case No. EO-96-14 the following List And Schedule Of Issues To Be Heard, Order Of Witnesses And Order Of Cross-Examination. The Staff believes that there are no longer any issues remaining in Case No. EM-96-149 due to the fact that the Staff and UE have reached a resolution of the "weather normalization" issue. As a consequence, the Staff made no filing on May 20, 1999 in the instant case, EM-96-149. The Staff noted this development in its May 20, 1999 filing in Case No. EO-96-14, but it has belatedly occurred to Staff counsel that for purposes of clarity a filing should be made in the instant case to reflect this development.<sup>1</sup>

The Staff and UE previously indicated that "weather normalization" of the credits for each year of the Case No. EO-96-14 experimental alternative regulation plan was an issue in Case No. EM-96-149. (Pursuant to Section "6. Rate Reduction" of the Stipulation And Agreement in Case No. EM-96-149, rates charged and revenues collected after August 31, 1998 are to be reduced by an amount equal to the average of the credits for the three one-year periods, adjusted to reflect normal weather.) Both the Staff and UE filed testimony on this issue in Case

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Staff pleadings filed on May 20, 1999 in Case No. EO-96-14 were sent to all parties of record in both Case No. EM-96-149 and Case No. EO-96-14.

No. EM-96-149. However, the Staff and UE recently reached a resolution of this issue. As a consequence, what remains to be determined is the amount of the credits for the third sharing period. That amount is dependent upon the following issues to be decided by the Commission in Case No. EO-96-14.

TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 1999, 10:00 A.M.:

**OPENING STATEMENTS** 

**ISSUES:** 

I. Case No. ER-95-411 Stipulation & Agreement

UE:

Brandt

**Baxter** 

McKnight

Staff: Rackers

Schallenberg

II. Territorial Agreements

Staff: Rackers

UE:

Brandt

Baxter

McKnight

Weiss

III. Property Taxes On Plant Held For Future Use

OPC: Robertson

UE:

Baxter

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# WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 1999:

#### IV. Year 2000 (Y2K) Costs

Staff: Westerfield

OPC: Robertson

UE: Brandt

Baxter

McKnight

# V. Other Computer Costs

Staff: Westerfield

OPC: Robertson

UE: Brandt

Baxter

McKnight

# VI. Current Tax Deduction For Allowance For Funds Used During Construction (AFUDC)

Staff: Rackers

UE: Nelson

#### VII. Deferred Taxes

Staff: Rackers

UE: Nelson

#### VIII. Merger & Acquisition Costs

Staff: Gruner

OPC: Robertson

UE: Brandt

**Baxter** 

# THURSDAY, JUNE 3, 1999:

# IX. Lobbying Expense

OPC: Robertson

UE: Baxter

Weiss

# X. Decommissioning Fund Deposits

Staff: Westerfield

OPC: Robertson

UE: Brandt

Baxter Weiss

#### XI. Injuries & Damages

Staff: Gruner

UE: Brandt

Baxter

McKnight

#### **ORDER OF CROSS-EXAMINATION**

#### Staff Witnesses:

- 1. OPC
- 2. Parties Other Than OPC and UE
- 3. UE

#### **OPC Witness:**

- Staff
- 2. Parties Other Than Staff and UE
- 3. UE

#### **UE Witnesses:**

- 1. Parties Other Than Staff and OPC
- 2. Staff
- 3. OPC

Respectfully submitted,

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# **Certificate of Service**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 21st day of May, 1999.

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