

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

In the Matter of Union Electric Company,)
d/b/a) AmerenUE's Amendment of its)
(Natural Gas Misc. Tariff, Schedule No. 2,)
Miscellaneous) Tariff No. YG-2008-)
0190Charges, 2nd Revised Sheet No. 20.)

Case No. GT-2008-0088

**STAFF'S RESPONSE TO
COMMISSION ORDER DIRECTING FILING**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and in response to the Commission's September 24 Order Directing Filing states:

1. On September 21, 2007, Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, (Ameren) filed a Motion for Expedited Treatment with regard to its tariff filing, Tariff No. YG-2008-0190. The Motion stated that Ameren's current tariff provides for the installation of Excess Flow Valves (EFVs) as an option chosen by a customer and requires the company to charge \$65.00. It also requires that the customer pay \$900 if the valve fails and the Company has to return to the residence to replace it.

2. Ameren states that the proposed amendment would make the installation of the EFV automatic and remove the charges, when it is done as part of the installation of a new or replacement of an existing service line. Ameren also states that no later than June 1, 2008, all natural gas utilities are required to make this change by the Pipeline Inspection, Protection, Enforcement and Safety Act of 2006 (PIPES Act).

3. In support of its Motion, Ameren advises the Commission that it is beginning a large service line replacement project and believes it is desirable to install EFVs at all locations without charging its customers. Ameren states this change will have no negative effect on its

customers and will, in fact, work to customers' benefit by decreasing their cost and providing them the safety benefits of the EFV.

4. Staff recommends the Commission approve the tariff sheets such that the tariff will become effective no later than October 5, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to all counsel of record this 28th day of September 2007.

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