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## **VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS**

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission P. O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

Re: MPSC Case No. EC-2002-112

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, in the above matter, please find an original and eight (8) copies of its **Motion For Extension of Time In Which to File Answer.** 

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this filing by stamping a copy of the enclosed letter and returning it to me in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

Very truly yours,

√Jamés J. Cook

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cc: Parties on Attached Service List

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

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Sterling Moody, Sterling's Market Place

And Sterling's Place, I

Complainants,

Vs.

AmerenUE, Union Electric Co. d/b/a

AmerenUE; and Mike Foy, Leroy Ettling,
And Sherry Moschner, as employees of

AmerenUE.

Respondents.

# MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME IN WHICH TO FILE ANSWER

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE ("Company" or "Respondents") and pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.050(3)(A), respectfully requests the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") to grant it a 30-day extension of time in which to file its answer to the Complaint in this case. In accordance with this request, the Company states as follows:

- 1. On August 21, 2001, the Complainants filed its Complaint with the Commission.
- 2. On September 4, 2001, the Commission issued its Notice of Complaint.
- 3. On September 20, 2001, Respondents submitted its Request for Mediation.
- 4. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.070(7), AmerenUE must file its answer to said Complaint on or before October 4, 2001.
- 5. According to the Notice of Complaint, if the Complainants decline the opportunity to seek mediation, AmerenUE will be notified of the date by which an answer or notice of satisfaction must be filed, which may be the remainder of the original 30-day period.

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6. AmerenUE fully intends to file an answer to the Complaint if the Complainants decline the opportunity to seek mediation. However, due to the complexity of the claims made by Complainants, an additional thirty (30) days within which to respond to said Complaint will provide Company the opportunity to submit a more thoroughly researched and complete response.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE hereby requests an additional thirty (30) days within which to respond to the Complaint if the Complainants decline the opportunity to seek mediation.

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Respectfully submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served via U.S. first-class mail on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2001, on the following parties of record:

## **CASE NO. EC-2002-112**

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