BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI



In the Matter of the Application of UNION)		Missouri Public Service Commission
ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a AmerenUE)		
for an Order authorizing the issue and sale)	Case No.	EF-2000-385
of up to \$750,000,000 aggregate principal)		
amount of additional long-term indebtedness.)		

MOTION FOR EXPEDITED CONSIDERATION

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE ("AmerenUE"), by and through its counsel, and hereby requests the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") to proceed expeditiously in this case to the issuance of a decision to be effective on or before February 28, 2000, on the following grounds:

- 1. Concurrently with the filing of this Motion, AmerenUE is filing an application (the "Application") with the Commission seeking permission and authority, under Sections 393.180 and 393.200, RSMo. 1994, and 4 CSR 240-2.060, to issue and sell from time to time, in several transactions, up to \$750,000,000 aggregate principal amount of additional long-term indebtedness (the "New Securities").
- 2. In its Application, AmerenUE states that it proposes to use the proceeds from the issuance and sale of the New Securities to refund, discharge or retire its outstanding indebtedness which is described in Exhibit 1 (marked "Proprietary") to the Application. AmerenUE is requesting this authorization to allow it flexibility to refinance its debt without undue delay when market conditions make lower cost financing available. Because certain of AmerenUE's debt is either currently subject to redemption or will be in the near future, as identified in Exhibit 1 to the Application, AmerenUE requests the Commission to proceed expeditiously in its consideration of the Application.

3. The forms of the New Securities proposed to be issued by AmerenUE are substantially similar to those previously proposed by AmerenUE and approved by the Commission in other cases. Consequently, the Application should not present any unusual or unique issues for the Commission's consideration.

WHEREFORE, AmerenUE respectfully requests that the Commission proceed expeditiously to renew the Application and issue a decision to be effective on or before February 28, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated at St. Louis, Missouri, this 22nd day of December, 1999.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been sent by overnight delivery to the following counsel on this 22nd day of December, 1999.

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