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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of UNION)		Missouri Public S ervice Commiss ion
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 PROTECTIVE ORDER

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE ("AmerenUE"), by and through its counsel, and hereby moves the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") to issue its standard Protective Order in this proceeding on the following grounds:

- 1. Concurrently with the filing of this Motion, AmerenUE is filing an 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 up to \$750,000,000 aggregate principal amount of additional long-term indebtedness (the "Application").
- 2. Exhibit 1 to the Application contains information which has been designated "Proprietary" by AmerenUE because it concerns confidential or private financial information that could impact the market price of AmerenUE's securities if such information were publicly disclosed. AmerenUE also anticipates that it may be asked to provide additional confidential information in this proceeding.
- 3. The Commission has recognized in numerous cases that there is a genuine need to protect certain confidential information from disclosure. The issuance of protective orders in prior cases has helped to minimize disputes and has provided a sound method for submitting confidential information.