# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Tariff Filings of Union	)	
Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri, to	)	
Increase Its Revenues for Retail Electric Service	)	Case No. ER-2014-0258

## REQUEST TO TAKE OFFICIAL NOTICE

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri") and, pursuant to Section 536.070(6), hereby requests that the Commission take official notice of the following documents, all of which are relevant to Fuel Adjustment Clause ("FAC") issues in this case:

- a. The Staff's Fuel Adjustment Clause Prudence Review Reports in Case Nos. EO-2010-0255, EO-2012-0074, EO-2013-0407 and EO-2015-0060.
- b. The account descriptions for Accounts 501 and 518 of the Uniform System of Accounts promulgated for electric utilities by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, which are set forth on Exhibit A hereto.
- c. The Fuel Adjustment Clause section of Commission's Report and Order in the following cases:
  - a. ER-2008-0318
  - b. ER-2010-0036
  - c. ER-2011-0028
  - d. ER-2010-0166
- d. Commission rules 4 CSR 240-20.090 and 4 CSR 240-3.161.
- e. The fact that Case No. ER-2007-0004 was filed July 3, 2006 and Case No. ER-2007-0002 was filed July 7, 2006.
- f. The Fuel Adjustment Clause section of Commission's Report and Order in Case No. ER-2007-0004.
- g. The Fuel Adjustment Clause portions of the Staff Cost of Service Reports in the following cases:
  - a. ER-2008-0318
  - b. ER-2010-0036
  - c. ER-2011-0028
  - d. ER-2010-0166
- h. The fact that the Commission has approved 17 adjustments to Ameren Missouri's Fuel Adjustment Clause rates since Ameren Missouri's fuel adjustment clause began on March 1, 2009.
- i. Ameren Missouri's Fuel Adjustment Clause tariff sheets approved by the Commission in the following cases:

- a. ER-2008-0318
- b. ER-2010-0036
- c. ER-2011-0028
- d. ER-2010-0166

WHEREFORE, the Signatories respectfully request the Commission to issue an Order in this case approving this Stipulation.

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served on all parties of record via electronic mail (e-mail) on this 9th day of March, 2015.

/s/James B. Lowery

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#### **EXHIBIT A**

FERC Uniform System of Accounts, Title 18 → Chapter I → Subchapter C → Part 101

#### 501 Fuel.

A. This account shall include the cost of fuel used in the production of steam for the generation of electricity, including expenses in unloading fuel from the shipping media and handling thereof up to the point where the fuel enters the first boiler plant bunker, hopper, bucket, tank or holder of the boiler-house structure. Records shall be maintained to show the quantity, B.t.u. content and cost of each type of fuel used.

B. The cost of fuel shall be charged initially to account 151, Fuel Stock (for Nonmajor utilities, appropriate fuel accounts carried under account 154, Plant Materials and Operating Supplies) and cleared to this account on the basis of the fuel used. Fuel handling expenses may be charged to this account as incurred or charged initially to account 152, Fuel Stock Expenses Undistributed (for Nonmajor utilities, an appropriate subaccount of account 154, Plant Materials and Operating Supplies). In the latter event, they shall be cleared to this account on the basis of the fuel used. Respective amounts of fuel stock and fuel stock expenses shall be readily available.

#### **ITEMS**

#### Labor:

- 1. Supervising purchasing and handling of fuel.
- 2. All routine fuel analyses.
- 3. Unloading from shipping facility and putting in storage.
- 4. Moving of fuel in storage and transferring fuel from one station to another.
- 5. Handling from storage or shipping facility to first bunker, hopper, bucket, tank or holder of boiler-house structure.
  - 6. Operation of mechanical equipment, such as locomotives, trucks, cars, boats, barges, cranes, etc.

#### Materials and Expenses:

- 7. Operating, maintenance and depreciation expenses and ad valorem taxes on utility-owned transportation equipment used to transport fuel from the point of acquisition to the unloading point (Major only).
- 8. Lease or rental costs of transportation equipment used to transport fuel from the point of acquisition to the unloading point (Major only).
  - 9. Cost of fuel including freight, switching, demurrage and other transportation charges.
  - 10. Excise taxes, insurance, purchasing commissions and similar items.
  - 11. Stores expenses to extent applicable to fuel.
  - 12. Transportation and other expenses in moving fuel in storage.

- 13. Tools, lubricants and other supplies.
- 14. Operating supplies for mechanical equipment.
- 15. Residual disposal expenses less any proceeds from sale of residuals.

Note: Abnormal fuel handling expenses occasioned by emergency conditions shall be charged to expense as incurred.

# 518 Nuclear fuel expense (Major only).

A. This account shall be debited and account 120.5, Accumulated Provision for Amortization of Nuclear Fuel Assemblies, credited for the amortization of the net cost of nuclear fuel assemblies used in the production of energy. The net cost of nuclear fuel assemblies subject to amortization shall be the cost of nuclear fuel assemblies plus or less the expected net salvage of uranium, plutonium, and other byproducts and unburned fuel. The utility shall adopt the necessary procedures to assure that charges to this account are distributed according to the thermal energy produced in such periods.

- B. This account shall also include the costs involved when fuel is leased.
- C. This account shall also include the cost of other fuels, used for ancillary steam facilities, including superheat.
- D. This account shall be debited or credited as appropriate for significant changes in the amounts estimated as the net salvage value of uranium, plutonium, and other byproducts contained in account 157, Nuclear Materials Held for Sale and the amount realized upon the final disposition of the materials. Significant declines in the estimated realizable value of items carried in account 157 may be recognized at the time of market price declines by charging this account and crediting account 157. When the declining change occurs while the fuel is recorded in account 120.3, Nuclear Fuel Assemblies in Reactor, the effect shall be amortized over the remaining life of the fuel.