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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts **Executive Secretary** Missouri Public Service Commission Truman Building 301 W. High Street, 7-N P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65101

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Re: Case Nos. EF-2000-385 and EF-94-25

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE, are an original and fourteen (14) copies of a Motion to Consolidate Proceedings to be filed in Case No. EF-2000-385 and an original and fourteen (14) copies of the same Motion to be filed in Case No. EF-94-25.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this filing by stamping as filed a copy of this letter and returning it to the undersigned in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Sincerely.

Ronald K. Evans

Managing Associate General Counsel

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cc w/:

MPSC General Counsl

Office of the Public Counsel

Mr. Ron Bible, MPSC Financial Analysis Department

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been sent by overnight delivery to the following counsel on this 10th day of January, 2000.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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		Service Commission
In the Matter of the Application of UNION)	Commission
ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a AmerenUE for)	
an Order authorizing the issue and sale of up to)	Case No. EF-2000-385
\$750,000,000 aggregate principal amount of)	
additional long-term indebtedness.)	
In the Matter of the Application of UNION)	
ELECTRIC COMPANY for an Order authorizing)	
the issue and sale of up to \$310,000,000 principal)	Case No. EF-94-25
amount of First Mortgage Bonds for the purpose of)	
discharging outstanding long-term debt.)	

MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE PROCEEDINGS

COMES NOW, Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE ("AmerenUE"), by and through its counsel, and for its Motion to consolidate the above-captioned proceedings states as follows:

- 1. In Case No. EF-94-25, the Commission by Order Approving Financing, effective October 8, 1993, authorized AmerenUE to issue and sell from time to time, in several transactions, up to \$310,000,000 principal amount of First Mortgage Bonds for the purpose of refinancing and discharging outstanding debt. Said Order approved the various terms and conditions pursuant to which AmerenUE proposed to issue the First Mortgage Bonds, including interest rates not to exceed 8.00 percent. To date, AmerenUE has issued and sold \$100,000,000 principal amount of First Mortgage Bonds pursuant to said Order.
- 2. On December 23, 1999, AmerenUE filed an application with the Commission requesting authority to issue and sell from time to time, in several transactions, up to \$750,000,000 aggregate principal amount of long-term indebtedness including, among other forms of debt, First Mortgage Bonds. In said application, which the Commission has assigned Case No. EF-2000-385, AmerenUE proposes to issue any First Mortgage Bonds with terms and conditions substantially the

same as approved in Case No. EF-94-25, except the proposed maximum interest rate is increased to 9.00 percent to provide AmerenUE greater flexibility to react to changing market conditions.

- 3. As a part of its application in Case No. EF-2000-385, AmerenUE requests that the authority sought therein, if granted by the Commission, be ruled to supercede, replace and terminate the \$210,000,000 of First Mortgage Bond authorization remaining under the Commission's Order Approving Financing issued effective October 8, 1993, in Case No. EF-94-25. The authorization granted in Case No. EF-94-25 would only continue in effect with respect to the \$100,000,000 principal amount of First Mortgage Bonds previously issued and sold thereunder.
- 4. Since AmerenUE's application in Case No. EF-2000-385 addresses authorization presently in effect in Case No. EF-94-25, AmerenUE requests that the Commission issue an order consolidating these proceedings. Such consolidation will facilitate the establishment and maintenance of a clear and consistent record of the subject matter. No party will be prejudiced by consolidation of these proceedings, particularly since participation to date in both cases has included the same entities (that is, the Commission Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel).

WHEREFORE, for the reasons set forth herein, AmerenUE requests that the Commission consolidate these proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated at St. Louis, Missouri, this 10th day of January, 2000.