

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

In the Matter of Union Electric Company)
d/b/a AmerenUE for Authority to File Tariffs)
Increasing Rates for Electric Service Provided) Case No. ER-2011-_____
To Customers in the Company’s Missouri Service)
Area.)

NOTICE OF RATE CASE FILING

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (“AmerenUE”) and for its Notice of Rate Case Filing states as follows:

1. As the Commission is aware, its new rules regarding Ex Parte and Extra-Record Communications, codified at 4 CSR 240-4.020, take effect on July 30, 2010, which is today. Section (2) of the new rule provides that any regulated entity that “intends to file a case likely to be a contested case...shall file a notice with the secretary of the Commission a minimum of sixty (60) days prior to filing such a case.” The notice must detail the type of case and issues likely to be before the Commission.

2. AmerenUE presently intends to file tariffs to initiate a general rate proceeding seeking an increase in its retail electric rates within the next 60 days. Given the Commission’s routine suspension of tariff filings in rate case proceedings, and the statutory requirement that a hearing be held after such suspension, it is likely that this proceeding will become a “contested case” within the meaning of Section 536.010(4) RSMo. as adopted in 4 CSR 240-4.020(1)(C).

3. Because the Commission’s new rules become effective today, the notice requirement by its terms can only apply to anticipated contested cases that a regulated entity intends to file 60 days or more after the effective date of the rule (September 28,

2010 or later). Consequently, the notice requirement does not apply to an AmerenUE rate case filing made on or before September 27, 2010. AmerenUE is nonetheless filing this notice concurrently with the effective date of the new rule to comply with the spirit of the rule, and to assist all prospective parties to AmerenUE's rate case, and Commissioners, their advisors and the regulatory law judges in complying with the other terms of the Ex Parte and Extra-Record Communications rule that now apply.

4. AmerenUE notes that the issues likely to be before the Commission in its upcoming rate case consist of all revenue requirement, class cost allocation and rate design issues, issues relating to mechanisms designed to improve cash flow and mitigate regulatory lag, and issues relating to placing the new wet flue gas desulfurization units being installed at the Sioux Plant and a portion of its investment in the Taum Sauk Plant (consistent with the Company's settlement with the State of Missouri) into rate base.

5. During the Commission's recent training sessions regarding the new rules, the Commission's Secretary suggested that even though the notice provision would not apply to contested cases filed within 60 days of the effective date of the rules, utilities should submit a notice, and request a waiver of the 60-day period in compliance with 4 CSR 240-4.020(2)(B). Although a waiver is unnecessary under these circumstances, in view of the Commission Secretary's suggestion to the extent the Commission were to believe a waiver is necessary, AmerenUE hereby requests the same.

6. Copies of this Notice are being provided to the parties to Case No. ER-2010-0036, AmerenUE's last electric rate case.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic transmission, facsimile or e-mail to the following parties on this 30th day of July, 2010, to the following:

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