

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

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| In the Matter of the Application of Union |) | |
| Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri |) | |
| Concerning a Natural Gas Incident at |) | File No. GS-2016-0159 |
| 3404 Georgia Street in Louisiana, Missouri. |) | |

RESPONSE TO STAFF GAS INCIDENT REPORT

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri” or Company”) and for its response to the Missouri Public Service Commission Staff (“Staff”) *Gas Incident Report*, states as follows:

1. On May 31, 2017, the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) ordered Ameren Missouri to file a reply to the *Staff Gas Incident Report* (“Report”) no later than June 15, 2017.

2. Ameren Missouri has reviewed the *Report* and has no objections to the recommendations set forth by Staff.

A. The first recommendation is that Ameren Missouri take actions to ensure working fire extinguishers are available. This recommendation has already been implemented. The Company has obtained an adequate supply of pressurized fire extinguishers for continuous use in all gas operating centers. In March, it also executed a contract with a supplier to provide maintenance services for the pressurized extinguishers including required inspections, tests and servicing. The Company has fully transitioned to using pressurized fire extinguishers in all gas operating centers and it now in full compliance with this recommendation.

B. Staff recommends Ameren Missouri determine the extent of missing service line records and implement a plan to gain this information. The Company will perform an assessment and will subsequently develop a plan to recover information that is currently

missing. The Company will share its plan with Staff so that Staff may provide input into the plan before it is put into place. The Company anticipates the initial assessment and plan development to take a year to complete.

C. Staff recommends that Ameren Missouri continue to track and evaluate the relative risk of compression coupling failures, including periodic re-evaluation and annual monitoring. Ameren Missouri agrees to this recommendation. This process was already being done. The Company will continue to track and evaluate these risks so that it can appropriately consider implementation of additional measures to reduce the risk associated with these couplings compared to a couplings baseline.

WHEREFORE, Ameren Missouri respectfully informs the Missouri Public Service Commission that it has no objection to the recommendations contained within the *Staff Gas Incident Report*.

Respectfully submitted,

UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY,
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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 email to counsel for parties in this case on this 15th day of June, 2017.

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