BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service)	<u>File No. ER-2018-0145</u>
In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Request for Authority To Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service)))	File No. ER-2018-0146

NOTICE OF COMMUNICATION

Issue Date: June 14, 2018

Commissioner Scott T. Rupp and Ryan A. Silvey received the attached email regarding an allegation against the above mentioned utilities. While the allegation may not be a contested issue in these cases at present, the Commissioners are notifying the parties to the cases out of an abundance of caution.

The Missouri Public Service Commission has promulgated rules denoted as the "Standards of Conduct" at 4 CSR 240-4.010 and 4.020. Section 4 CSR 240-4.20 specifically deals with Ex Parte and Extra-Record Communication Rules. This notice is filed in conformance with the rule.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott T. Rupp Commissioner

Ryan A. Silvey Commissioner Algatel

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Advisor & Legal Counsel to Commissioner Scott T. Rupp

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, On this 14th day of June, 2018.

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From:

Caleb Arthur <carthur@ussunsolar.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 06, 2018 12:52 PM

To: Cc: Silvey, Ryan; Rupp, Scott

CC:

'Mary Shields'

Subject:

Fwd: Ameren Solar Rebate Update

Hi Commissioner Silvey and Comm Rupp,

I wanted to make sure and give you insight to the solar side of this. See Amerens respons below. Operational date can come up to a year after application date by state law. All the IOUS in the past have put net metering and solar rebate applications into a first come first serve queue. When solar rebate dollars are assigned to customers it is based on application date. My question is if operational date is Jan 1st 2019 for the rebates, I want to file now for rebates. The reason why is it takes kcpl 90+ days to approve my applications on solar system sizes over 10kw. Yes the law says 90 days or less but they always go over 90 days. Ameren on the other hand will approve jobs in 2-4 weeks! Great job on them. So legally I could file all the rebate paperwork now, and wait until December to install and then file the operational paperwork Jan 1st. My guess is every solar company will be doing this and could cause loopholes for utility companies to refuse rebate applications early on.

The rebate pools are small enough that the first year of the program will most likely be fully subscribed to by the end of January 2019. I also want to know if those following years of rebate dollars will be frontloaded into the exsisting queue or if customers will have to wait a few years to get the rebates back.

Mary feel free to add anything to this email. Commissioners, if you or someone in the PSC would like to talk with us on this, we are open to a meeting via phone or in person.

Our industry has some huge questions that will greatly after the course on how to comply.

Thank you, Caleb Arthur

From: Mary Shields

Sent: Wednesday, June 6, 12:04 PM Subject: Ameren Solar Rebate Update

Good afternoon MOSEIA members.

Just to keep everyone up to date, the following is the latest statement from Ameren. KCP&L are currently in a rate case review so we expect a similar timeline. Empire District has a rebate tariff but it is likely that they will file a revision too.

"Senate Bill 564, officially signed into law June 1st, includes new solar rebate provisions. The new law becomes effective on August 28, 2018. The solar rebates provided for in the law are only available to systems that become operational on or after January 1, 2019. Ameren Missouri is formulating a plan for implementing the legislation. At this time we cannot provide guidance regarding when we will begin accepting applications, the queue process or the specific solar rebate application form. Ameren Missouri anticipates filing a revision of our Rider SR – Solar Rebate tariff with the Missouri Public Service Commission near the end of July to become effective on the same day that the law becomes effective. The revised tariff will provide these type of details."

We'll continue to keep you posted as we have more detail.

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