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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Re: Case No. E0-2001-472

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed please find for filing the original and eight (8) copies of the Petition of IBEW Local 53 to Intervene in the above-captioned matter. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

March 16, 2001

Charles R. Schwartz

CRS:sab Enclosure

cc:

L. Querry, IBEW Local 53

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI



| In the Matter of an Investigation respecting the sale of UtiliCorp United Inc.'s |) | Service Commissic | |
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| respecting the sale of Outloof Office inc. s | , | - 0(| Surcing |
| Utility Network Construction, Operation |) | Case No. EO-2001-472 | inssion |
| and Maintenance Organization. |) | | |

PETITION OF IBEW LOCAL 53 TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW Local No. 53 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO, (hereinafter "IBEW Local 53"), by and through counsel, and respectfully submit their Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned matter. In support of this Petition, and as grounds therefore, IBEW Local 53 states as follows:

- 1. IBEW Local 53 is a voluntary labor organization doing business and representing employees in Missouri;
- 2. The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner seeking leave to intervene is:

Mr. Lyle K. Querry, Business Manager I.B.E.W. Local 53 1100 Admiral Boulevard Kansas City, Missouri 64106 Tel: (816) 421-5464

- 3. Petitioner requests that service be made to petitioner Lyle K. Querry of IBEW Local 53 and to petitioner's attorney listed herein;
- 4. IBEW Local 53 represents employees of contractors who provide services to UtiliCorp United Inc. These employees may be affected by any orders entered by the Commission in this proceeding, and IBEW Local 53 and its members are interested in this

proceeding. Because IBEW Local 53 and its members may be affected by the Commission's decision in this case, IBEW Local 53 has a direct interest in this proceeding that is different from that of the general public;

5. It is the position of IBEW Local 53 that the announced sale of certain of UtiliCorp United's operations will have an impact on wages, benefits, and terms and conditions of employment of members represented by the IBEW Local 53.

WHEREFORE, having stated the grounds for intervention, their position and interest in this proceeding, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 53 asks that the Commission;

- a. Grant IBEW Local 53 leave to intervene in this proceeding on its behalf and on behalf of its members and to be heard at such time as the Commission may fix; and
- b. In all respects be parties to this proceeding.

 Dated this 4 day of March, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing Petition to

Intervene was served upon all parties to this action, by causing the same to be deposited in the

United States Mail, postage prepaid, this /e day of March, 2001, addressed as follows:

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