BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commis	sion,)
Co	mplainant,
V.) <u>Case No. EC-2002-1</u>
Union Electric Company, doing business as	AmerenUE,
Re	spondent.)

ORDER DIRECTING FILING AND SHORTENING RESPONSE TIME

On December 26, 2001, the Staff and AmerenUE filed a joint stipulation containing a newly-proposed procedural schedule which would accommodate the test year ordered by the Commission on December 6. The Pubic Counsel has filed a response. Thus, the Commission has heard from the necessary and statutory parties. The interveners would ordinarily have until January 5, 2002, to respond. Because of the need to expedite each step of this case the Commission will shorten the time in which the interveners may respond.

The interveners need only state that they support or oppose the proposed procedural schedule. No issue other than the proposed procedural should be raised in this pleading.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

 That every intervener shall file a pleading in opposition to or in support of the proposed procedural schedule jointly filed on December 26, 2001, by the Commission Staff and Ameren UE.

- 2. That the filing required in paragraph one of this order shall be made not later than 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 2, 2002.
- 3. That the pleading required herein may be submitted by electronic mail (with paper copy to follow) to the Secretary of the Commission at droberts@mail.state.mo.us only if the pleading is simultaneously delivered to every other party in the case.
- 4. That this order shall become effective on December 28, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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(SEAL)

Dale Hardy Roberts, Chief Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 28th day of December, 2001.