

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

Noranda Aluminum, Inc., et al.,)	
Complainants,)	
v.)	Case No. EC-2014-0223
Union Electric Company d/b/a)	
Ameren Missouri,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

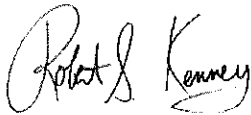
Noranda Aluminum, Inc., et al.,)	
Complainants,)	
v.)	Case No. EC-2014-0224
Union Electric Company d/b/a)	
Ameren Missouri,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

NOTICE OF COMMUNICATION

Issue Date: June 16, 2014

Chairman Robert S. Kenney hereby files the attached letter from Don Rone, Former Mayor of Portageville, Missouri, regarding the above captioned cases.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robert S. Kenney
Chairman

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri
On this 16th day of June, 2014

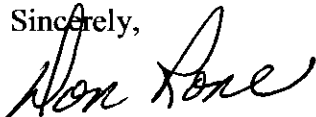
I am writing this letter in support of the electric rate reduction for Noranda Aluminum in New Madrid, Missouri. This facility provides a critical source of employment to people across Southeast Missouri and a revenue stream that, if lost, could cripple an already vulnerable area of our state.

I served as Mayor of Portageville, Missouri, just 15 miles from Noranda, for 10 years. During my time as Mayor in the early 1980's, our town was faced with a tough choice to secure jobs in the community. A major employer in the community needed to expand its footprint in the city, however, with high interest rates, private financing was not feasible. The community recognized the importance of these jobs and rallied to provide city revenue bonds, backed by the employer, to make the financing affordable and grow jobs in town. This allowed expansion which provided a total of 1,200 jobs to our area and an additional \$27 million in annual payroll.

I bring up this example from the 1980s because it demonstrates the longstanding level of commitment the citizens of southeast Missouri have to protecting the jobs and livelihood of our friends and neighbors. It was a decision by a community to do what it takes to keep jobs in the community and to provide the opportunity for economic growth. We understand that when jobs like the ones in the 80s, or the ones presently at Noranda, are lost, the impact will be felt on every Main Street in the region for generations to come. We understand that the stress and financial insecurity such job losses cause will be felt at kitchen tables across our communities.

Our community is not unique in our passion to support and defend the jobs and livelihood of our friends and neighbors. Many industries across Missouri and the communities have this same passion. However, what distinguishes our area is that Noranda has seen a 47% increase in its most significant operating cost, which has been approved by this regulatory body. I feel the PSC has a duty to consider the significant impacts their past decisions and their decision in this case will have on our community and the survival of our area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Don Rone". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Don Rone

Former Mayor, Portageville, MO