

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

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

**NOTICE OF COMMUNICATION**

Issue Date:     August 5, 2014

We received the attached document from Lee McCarter, Chief Executive Officer of JW Aluminum, regarding the above referenced case.

This filing is made in compliance with this Commissioner's interpretation of the "standards of conduct" in 4 CSR 240-4.010 and 4.020 relating to ex parte and extra record communications and does not otherwise imply or reflect the position of the Missouri Public Service Commission or any other Commissioner.

Respectfully submitted,



William P. Kenney, Commissioner



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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2014.



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

Dear Honorable Chairman and Commissioners:

I am writing to notify you of JW Aluminum Company's ("JW Aluminum") opposition to a February 12, 2014 rate case filing made with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("PSC") by Noranda Aluminum ("Noranda"), a Tennessee-based company with a facility in New Madrid, Missouri. The rate case will adversely impact JW Aluminum and its St. Louis, Missouri operation.

JW Aluminum's St. Louis, Missouri operation employs approximately 204 people and purchases its electricity from Ameren Missouri.

We understand that Noranda currently has a more favorable rate than JW Aluminum. The rate case filed by Noranda seeks to further reduce their rate by another 25 percent. This reduction would shift costs to other consumers, totaling more than a half of a billion dollars, and more than two percent per year for the next decade. If this rate shift is approved, it will cost JW Aluminum an additional \$472,673 over the 10 year rate shift request.

Forcing Ameren to subsidize Noranda's power cost is unfair to JW Aluminum and other Ameren customers who would be required to absorb the subsidy. Forcing JW Aluminum to subsidize Noranda is especially unfair to JW Aluminum because Noranda is a direct competitor. JW Aluminum directly competes with Noranda on the following products produced in Missouri: light gauge foil and rolled aluminum sheet which would include light gauge foil products, flexible packaging, fin stock, container stock and cable wrap.

While JW Aluminum opposes the subject rate case filing on the grounds that it is unfair and bad policy, if the PSC is inclined to grant all or any part of Noranda's request, JW Aluminum hereby requests the opportunity to join in the subject rate case filing and receive the same rate relief.

Thank you for your time and attention to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

Lee McCarter, Chief Executive Officer