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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
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Re: Case No. EF-2000-270

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the referenced case on behalf of UtiliCorp United Inc. please find an original and fourteen (14) copies of a Notice of Dismissal.

Would you please see that this filing is brought to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

BRYDON, SWEARENGEN & ENGLAND P.C.

By:

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In the Matter of the Application of)
UtiliCorp United Inc. for authority)
to increase its ownership interest in)
Horizon Energy Distribution Limited,)
a New Zealand electric distribution)
utility, by acquiring indirectly)
approximately 47.7% of the capital)
stock thereof, and to take all other actions)
reasonably necessary to effectuate said)
transaction.)

Case No. EF-2000-270

NOTICE OF DISMISSAL

COMES NOW UtiliCorp United Inc., Applicant in the captioned-case, pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.116(1) and dismisses its Application in the captioned matter. UnitedNetworks has entered into an agreement to sell its stake in Horizon Energy Distribution Limited ("HEDL") and, accordingly, there is no further need for an Order of the Commission with regard to the Application.

Respectfully submitted,



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Certificate of Service

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