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

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a	)	
Ameren Missouri's Annual Vegetation	)	
Management Report Pursuant to	)	File No. EO-2014-
4 CSR 240-23.030(6)(C).	)	

## **ANNUAL REPORT FILING**

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri (Ameren Missouri or the Company) and, in compliance with the above-referenced Commission rule, hereby files its annual report relating to vegetation management for 2013.

- 1. Summary of the Documentation Required by 4 CSR 240-23.030(6)(B):
- a. *Identification of each circuit and substation where vegetation management work was* performed: See attached file 2013 Distribution Circuits to show which circuits were trimmed in 2013. See attached file AmerenAnnualTXWorkplan2013.CompletedWork for 138kV and above for work performed in 2013.
- b. The type of vegetation management performed including removal, trimming and spraying and methods used: See the general guidelines for removal, trimming and spraying and the methods that are used as described in the AmerenUE Vegetation Management Program and Practices document filed on July 1, 2008 in Case No. EO-2009-0012.
- c. *The crew size and supervisor's name*: Tree trimming crew sizes can vary from one to six or more crew members depending on the work. Each contractor supervisor is typically responsible for six to twelve crews. See attached file *Example Crew Numbers*(6)(B)3HC for an example of one contractor only, for one month on distribution. The entire file(s), along with hard copies of corresponding timesheets, as discussed with staff, can be updated and supplied upon request.
- d. The date of activity: See attached files 2013 Distribution Circuits and AmerenAnnualTXWorkplan2013.Completed Work.

- e. Any safety hazards encountered: Due to the nature of vegetation management work on any given day, multiple safety hazards exist for each person engaged in the work. As part of Performance Management, Ameren Missouri required each vendor in the area of safety to
  - (i) report occurrences that result in an OSHA Recordable;
  - (ii) develop annual safety action plans; and
  - (iii) have individual goals each year for OSHA Recordable.
- f. Any unexpected occurrence or accident resulting in death, life threatening or serious injury to a person assigned to perform vegetation management activities or the public: In 2013 there have been no unexpected occurrences or accident resulting in death, life-threatening or serious injury to the public that Ameren Missouri is aware of, as a result of any vegetation management work. There were two serious incidents to contractor personnel while performing vegetation management work; 1) a contractor employee, while trimming fell from a tree and fractured left foot. Injury was classified as a DART; and 2) a contractor employee fractured ankle when a log rolled over his foot. Injury was classified as an LWA.
  - 2. Other information required by 4 CSR 240-23.030(6)(C):
- a. Expenditures for vegetation management in the preceding year: See attached file Vegetation Management(Historical Spend)includes Labor and Major 2012 and 2013.
- b. *Vegetation management budget for the current year*: The 2014 budget for vegetation management on the transmission and distribution system is \$56.9M.
- c. Circuits, completion dates and miles trimmed in the preceding year: See attached file 2013 Distribution Circuits. The tab marked "Distribution Feeder Data" has all feeders that were completed in 2013 marked with completion dates in red. The tab marked "Distribution" shows that for 2013 a total of 4,783 distribution miles were completed. See also attached file

AmerenAnnualTXWorkplan2013.CompletedWork which shows a total of 1,653 circuit miles for all activities, as shown, were completed on lines rated at 138kV and greater.

d. Circuits, completion dates and miles scheduled for the current year: See attached file 2013 Distribution Circuits. The tab marked "Distribution Feeder Data" has all feeders that are scheduled to be trimmed in 2014 in black. The tab marked "Distribution" shows that for 2014 a total of 3,451 distribution miles are scheduled. See also attached filed AmerenAnnualTX2014. Scheduled Work which shows a total of 1,038 circuit miles, for all activities are scheduled for lines rated at 138kV or greater.

e. Total distribution miles for the system and corresponding classification between rural and urban: See attached file 2013 Distribution Circuits. The tab marked "Distribution" shows that the Ameren Missouri system has a total of 21,343 overhead miles, of which 7,991 miles are classified as urban and 13,352 miles are classified as rural.

WHEREFORE Ameren Missouri submits the attached documents as required by 4 CSR 240-23.030.

Respectfully submitted,

UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY, d/b/a Ameren Missouri

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Annual Report was served on the following parties via electronic mail (e-mail) on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2014.

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## **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF MISSOURI	)	
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CITY OF ST. LOUIS	)	

David N. Wakeman, first being duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says that he is Vice President Energy Delivery – Distribution Services of UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a Ameren Missouri, a Missouri corporation; that he is the individual who sponsors the attached reports filed in accordance with 4 CSR 240-23.030; that said reports were prepared under his direction and supervision; that if inquiries are made as to the facts, he would respond as therein set forth; and that the aforesaid is true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief.

David N. Wakeman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  $\frac{315^{+}}{2}$  day of March, 2014.

Julie Irby - Notary Public Notary Seal, State of Missouri - St. Louis County Commission #13753418 My Commission Expires 1/15/2017

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