

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

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a)	
Ameren Missouri's Requests for a Temporary)	
Waiver of 20 CSR 4240-40.030(13)(R) and)	File No. GE-2021-0143
(13)(V), for Waiver of 60-Day Notice)	
Requirement, and for Expedited Treatment.)	

**AMEREN MISSOURI'S RESPONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING FILING EXPLAINING
THAT VARIANCES NO LONGER NEEDED**

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri" or "Company"), and pursuant to the Commission's Order Directing Filing issued on December 14, 2020, briefly responds to the Commission Staff's recommendation filed on December 11, 2020.

Ameren Missouri sincerely appreciates Staff's expedited review and attempts to coordinate with the Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration ("PHMSA") regarding the Company's requested waivers. Ameren Missouri is excited to report that, consistent with its commitment in paragraph 25 of the Amended Application, it has continued to drive to complete as many of the outstanding regulator station and valve inspections by year-end as possible. As of December 18, 2020, the Company has completed all outstanding valve inspections required by year-end, and only two regulator station inspections remain outstanding. The Company has been able to make such extraordinary progress through use of overtime, strategically reallocating resources across the territory to provide assistance in areas where the workforce was most impacted by COVID-19 quarantines, and utilizing mutual assistance from Ameren Illinois in the Southeast Missouri area.

The Company is confident that it will be able to complete the two outstanding regulator station inspections by the end of the year. Therefore, the requested temporary variances from 20 CSR 4240-40.030(13)(R) and 20 CSR 4240-40.030(13)(V) are no longer necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served on the Staff of the Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel, via electronic mail (e-mail) on this 18th day of December, 2020.

/s/ Jermaine Grubbs

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