

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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CASE NO: GR-2000-579

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of Union Electric Company)
d/b/a AmerenUE's Gas Adjustment factors) Case No. GR-2000-579
to be reviewed in its 1999-2000 Actual)
Cost Adjustment.)

ORDER GRANTING ONE-TIME WAIVER REQUEST AND APPROVING INTERIM RATES

Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE or Company) of St. Louis, Missouri, filed three tariff sheets with the Commission on July 10, 2000, carrying an effective date of July 24, 2000. The tariff sheets were filed to reflect unscheduled changes in AmerenUE's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as the result of changes in the estimated cost of natural gas for the remainder of the summer season. The summer season includes the months of April through October.

The net effect of these changes for the area served by Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company will increase the firm PGA factor from \$0.4380 per Ccf to \$0.6083 per Ccf for the remainder of the summer season.

The net effect of these changes for the area served by Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation will increase the firm PGA factor from \$0.3384 per Ccf to \$0.5213 per Ccf for the remainder of the summer season.

The net effect of these changes for the area served by Natural Gas Pipeline Company will increase the firm PGA factor from \$0.2474 per Ccf to \$0.4335 per Ccf for the remainder of the summer season.

In conjunction with these tariff sheets, AmerenUE filed a MOTION FOR WAIVER TO MAKE AN UNSCHEDULED SUMMER PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT FILING (Motion). The Motion requests a one-time waiver from the PGA Clause of AmerenUE's tariff due to escalations in the market price of gas since its scheduled summer PGA filing.

The Missouri Public Service Commission Staff (Staff) filed a memorandum which recommended that AmerenUE's Motion filed on July 10, 2000, be granted and that the tariff sheets also submitted on July 10, 2000 be approved, interim subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in Case Nos. GR-99-396 and GR-2000-579.

The Commission has reviewed the Motion, the tariff sheets and Staff's recommendation, and finds that the Motion should be granted. After considering Staff's recommendation, and for good cause shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 1994, the Commission is of the opinion that the proposed tariff sheets should be approved to become effective on and after the requested effective date of July 24, 2000, interim subject to refund.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Motion submitted on July 10, 2000, by AmerenUE of St. Louis, Missouri, for the purpose of requesting a one-time waiver from its current PGA clause to allow an unscheduled summer PGA filing be, and it is, hereby granted.

2. That the tariff sheets submitted on July 10, 2000, by AmerenUE of St. Louis, Missouri, for the purpose of reflecting changes in rates for natural gas be, and it is, hereby approved to become effective on and after July 24, 2000, interim subject to refund. The tariff sheets approved are:

P.S.C. MO. No. 2

80th Revised SHEET No. 30 Cancelling 79th Revised SHEET No. 30
86th Revised SHEET No. 31 Cancelling 85th Revised SHEET No. 31
81st Revised SHEET No. 32 Cancelling 80th Revised SHEET No. 32

3. That this order shall become effective on July 24, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Morris Woodruff, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
4 CSR 240-2.120(1) (November 30, 1995)
and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 18th day of July, 2000.

ALJ/Sec'y: Doodruff

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Lumpe, Chair

Drainer, Vice Chair

Murray, Commissioner

Schemenauer, Commissioner

Simmons, Commissioner

N/A
Agenda Date

Action taken: _____

Must Vote Not Later Than _____

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

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and

I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 18th day of July 2000.

Dale Hardy Roberts

**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

