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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Missouri Coalition for Fair Competition,	)	
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Petitioner,	)	
	)	
v.	)	<u>Case No. EC-99-327</u>
	)	
Union Electric Company, doing business as	)	
AmerenUE,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

**ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE  
AND REQUIRING FILING OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

The Missouri Coalition for Fair Competition, Petitioner, filed its formal complaint on February 3, 1999, seeking the imposition of monetary penalties on Respondent Union Electric Company, doing business as AmerenUE (UE), pursuant to Section 386.756, RSMo Supp. 1998. On February 4, 1999, this Commission issued its Notice of Complaint. On March 8, 1999, UE filed its Answer.

This matter is now at issue and a prehearing conference and procedural schedule are appropriate to ensure its prompt resolution. At the prehearing conference, the parties' representatives should be prepared to discuss the nature of any discovery each will conduct and the interval necessary for its completion; the number of witnesses each expects to call at hearing; the number and nature of any exhibits each expects to offer at hearing; and the anticipated length of the hearing. The parties' representatives should also be prepared to discuss the current status of settlement negotiations. It is intended

that the prehearing conference will also provide an opportunity to the parties to continue settlement discussions.

The parties shall jointly file a proposed procedural schedule. The proposed procedural schedule shall establish dates for the prefil- ing of direct, rebuttal and surrebuttal testimony according to Commis- sion rule, as well as a date for the filing of the hearing memorandum. The proposed procedural schedule shall also establish dates for the hearing of this matter.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That a prehearing conference shall be held on March 26, 1999, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The prehearing conference shall be held at the Commission's offices on the fifth floor of the Harry S Truman State Office Building, 301 West High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. Anyone wishing to attend who has special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days before the prehearing conference at: Consumer Services Hotline - 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline - 1-800-829-7541.

2. That the parties shall jointly prepare and file a proposed procedural schedule no later than April 2, 1999.

3. That this order shall become effective on March 26, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts".

Dale Hardy Roberts  
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

( S E A L )

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief  
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 16th day of March, 1999.