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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application and
Request for Expedited Treatment of
Union Electric Company for Permission
and Authority to Reroute an Existing
161 kV Transmission Line, and in its
Place to Construct, Operate and
Maintain a New Double Circuit 161 kV
Transmission Line in the County of
Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Case No. EO-98-150

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION AND DIRECTING PARTIES TO FILE RECOMMENDED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On October 8, 1997, Union Electric Company (Union Electric) filed an application with the Commission for authority to reroute and replace an existing transmission line on property owned by Proctor and Gamble Company in Cape Girardeau County. The Commission issued an Order and Notice on October 10, which set an intervention date of November 10.

Citizens Electric Corporation (Citizens Electric) filed an application to intervene on November 5. Citizens Electric claims an interest in this proceeding different from that of the general public because the specific request for authority by Union Electric in this case is for the purpose of providing wholesale service to Citizens Electric. Citizens Electric states that it supports the application and request of Union Electric.

The Commission has reviewed the application for intervention and finds that it is in substantial compliance with Commission rules regarding intervention. The Commission finds that Citizens Electric has an interest in this matter which is different from that of the general

public. The Commission concludes that the request for intervention should be granted. The Commission also finds that it is appropriate for the parties to file a proposed procedural schedule or stipulation and agreement no later than December 22.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the application to intervene filed by Citizens Electric Corporation on November 5, 1997, is granted.
- 2. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule or stipulation and agreement no later than December 22, 1997.
- That this order shall become effective on November 21,

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Gregory T. George, 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 21st day of November, 1997.