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STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 21st day of March, 2000.

In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric Company for an Order Authorizing:
(1) Certain Merger Transactions Involving Union Electric Company; (2) The Transfer of Certain Assets, Real Estate, Leased Property, Easements and Contractual Agreements to Central Illinois Public Service Company; and (3) In Connection Therewith, Certain Other Related Transactions

Case No. EM-96-149

ORDER DENYING REHEARING

On February 29, 2000, the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) issued its Order Directing Rate Reduction, effective March 10, 2000, which directed Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE) to file tariff sheets with the Commission no later than March 27, 2000, implementing a permanent rate reduction in the amount of \$16,321,000, effective April 1, 2000. In addition, the Commission directed AmerenUE to issue credits on customers' bills beginning on May 1, 2000, for excess revenues billed between September 1, 1998, and April 1, 2000, and to file a notice of compliance. On March 9, 2000, AmerenUE filed its Application for Rehearing.

Pursuant to Section 386.500, RSMo 1994, and Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.160(3), the Commission shall grant a rehearing if in its judgment there is sufficient reason to do so. AmerenUE's application did not raise any new matters that had not been addressed previously

by the Commission. The Commission finds that there is not sufficient reason to grant rehearing or reconsideration, and the Commission will deny AmerenUE's application.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- That the Application for Rehearing filed by Union Electric
 Company d/b/a AmerenUE, on March 9, 2000, is denied.
 - 2. That this order shall become effective on March 31, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Murray, Schemenauer, and Drainer, CC., concur

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Agenda Date

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 21^{st} day of March 2000.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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