

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
May 23, 2001**

CASE NO: GR-2001-488, 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 black ink that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing 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 to be Reviewed in its 2000-2001) **Case No. GR-2001-488**
Actual Cost Adjustment)

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE's)
Gas Adjustment Factors to be Reviewed in its 1999-2000) **Case No. GR-2000-579**
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ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE

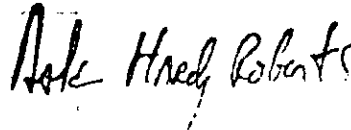
On May 21, 2001, the Staff of the Public Service Commission filed Motions to Consolidate in Case Nos. GR-2001-488 and GR-2000-579. Those two cases were established to review Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE's Actual Cost Adjustment for 2000-2001 and 1999-2000. In order to accelerate the review process of the 2000-2001 Actual Cost Adjustment audit, Staff proposes to combine its review of AmerenUE's 1999-2000 Actual Cost Adjustment in Case No. GR-2000-579 with its review of AmerenUE's 2000-2001 Actual Cost Adjustment in Case No. GR-2001-488. Staff indicates that if the Commission approves these Motions to Consolidate, it will propose a procedural schedule for the combined cases. Staff's Motions state that the other parties, AmerenUE and the Office of the Public Counsel, do not oppose the Motions to Consolidate.

4 CSR 240-2.110(3) provides that the Commission may consolidate cases when related questions of law or fact are involved. The Commission concludes that common questions of law and fact will be presented in these two cases. The Commission further concludes that consolidation will result in the most efficient use of the Commission's resources and that no party will be prejudiced by such consolidation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Case Number GR-2000-579 is consolidated with and into Case Number GR-2001-488.
2. That Case Number GR-2001-488 is designated as the lead case and that hereafter all pleadings, briefs and correspondence regarding the consolidated cases shall be filed in the lead case.
3. That this order shall become effective on June 2, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Morris L. Woodruff, Senior Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

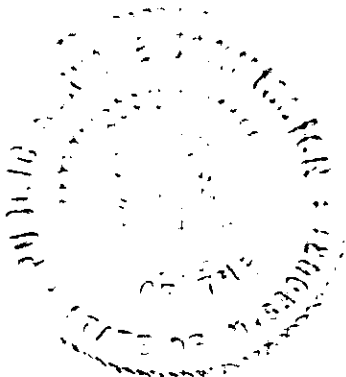
Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 23rd day of May, 2001.

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 23rd day of May 2001.



Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge