BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Ameren Transmission)	
Company of Illinois for Other Relief or, in the Alternative)	
a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity)	
Authorizing it to Construct, Install, Own, Operate,)	EA-2015-0146
Maintain and Otherwise Control and Manage a)	
345,000-volt Electric Transmission Line from Palmyra,)	
Missouri, to the Iowa Border and Associated Substation)	
Near Kirksville, Missouri)	

STATEMENT OF POSITION AND MOTION OF MISSOURI INDUSTRIAL ENERGY CONSUMERS TO BE EXCUSED FROM EVIDENTIARY HEARING

Comes now the Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers ("MIEC") and hereby files its

Statement of Position and Motion to be Excused From Evidentiary Hearing in this case, which is set to begin January 25, 2016. For its Statement of Position and Motion, the MIEC states as follows:

- 1. On July 15, 2015, the Commission granted MIEC's request to intervene in this proceeding.
- 2. On August 5, 2015, the Commission issued its Order Setting Procedural Schedule. On November 19, 2015, Neighbors United filed a Motion to Amend Procedural Schedule, and the Commission granted that Motion on November 25.
- 3. MIEC intervened in this case for the purpose of monitoring the issues involved and their potential impact on industrial electric consumers.
- 4. MIEC has determined that it will not take a position on the issues before the Commission in this case.
- 5. MIEC has filed no testimony in this case. MIEC will have no evidence to present at the hearing in this case and does not intend to conduct cross-examination of the witnesses at the hearing. As such, MIEC respectfully requests to be excused from the hearing scheduled for January 25 through January 29.

WHEREFORE, the MIEC requests that the Commission grant its Motion to be Excused

From Evidentiary Hearing.

Respectfully submitted

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been emailed this 20th day of January, 2016, to all parties on the Commission's service list in this case.

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