

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Ameren Transmission)
Company of Illinois for a Certificate of Public) File No. EA-2017-0345
Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Construct,)
Install, Own, Operate, Maintain and Otherwise Control)
and Manage a 345-kV Electric Transmission Line in from)
Palmyra, Missouri to the Iowa Border and an Associated)
Substation near Kirksville, Missouri)

**APPLICATION OF
MIDCONTINENT INDEPENDENT
SYSTEM OPERATOR, INC. TO INTERVENE**

The Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (“MISO”), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.075, applies to intervene in this proceeding, and in support of this Application, states:

1. MISO is a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of Delaware, with its principal place of business at 720 City Center Drive, Carmel, Indiana 46032.

2. MISO is a regional transmission organization (“RTO”) that monitors and controls the bulk electric system for its transmission owner members and system users, and provides all customers with open access transmission service. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) approved MISO as the nation’s first RTO on December 20, 2001. On February 1, 2002 MISO began providing regional transmission service for the movement of bulk power over the transmission facilities within its footprint. MISO has operated real-time and day-ahead energy markets since April 2005 and an ancillary services market since January 2009.

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4. As a functioning RTO, MISO is the sole provider of transmission service for those entities such as Union Electric Company, d/b/a/ Ameren Missouri, that have transferred functional control of their transmission assets to MISO. As the transmission service provider, MISO has a responsibility for the planning and operation of the regional transmission grid, including the development of projects like the Mark Twain Project proposed in the Application filed in this proceeding by Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois (“ATXP”). The Mark Twain Project is one of the projects approved by MISO as part of its regional portfolio of Multi Value Projects that are intended to upgrade and enhance the regional transmission system.

5. Based on the foregoing, MISO has an interest in the Application and in this proceeding that is different from that of the general public and from the other parties to this

¹ MISO requests that Mr. Small be added to the service list. A Petition for Admission *Pro Hac Vice* is being submitted on this date requesting that Mr. Small be permitted to appear in this case. The Commission previously granted permission for Mr. Small to appear in File No. EA-2015-0146, a case closely associated with the pending case. *In re Request for Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Mark Twain Transmission Project*, File No. EA-2015-0146, Order Granting Motion to Appear *Pro Hac Vice* (November 30, 2015).

matter. MISO's participation in this docket will bring forth information about attributes of the project under consideration that will assist the Commission in its decision-making. MISO supports completion of projects in the Multi Value Project portfolio, which includes the Mark Twain Project that is the subject of the Application.

WHEREFORE, MISO respectfully requests permission to intervene in the above referenced case.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was e-mailed on this 27th day of September 2017 to the persons on the Commission's service list in this case.

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