

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

In the matter of the Application of Ameren)
Transmission Company of Illinois for a)
Certificate of Public Convenience and)
Necessity to Construct, Install, Own,)
Maintain, and Otherwise Control and)
Manage a 138 kV Transmission Line and)
Associated facilities in Perry and)
Cape Girardeau Counties, Missouri)

Case No. EA-2021-0087

STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through the undersigned counsel, and for its *Status Report* states:

1. On September 25, 2020, Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois (“ATXI”) filed a *Notice of Intended Case Filing*, provided notice of its intentions to file an application for authority to construct, install, own, operate, maintain, and otherwise control and manage a new, approximately 12-19 mile 138 kV transmission line in Perry and Cape Girardeau Counties, Missouri and a 138 kV to 161 kV switching station.
2. On April 28, 2021, ATXI filed its *Application*, as well as the direct testimony of seven witnesses.
3. On May 5, 2021, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Notice And Setting Deadlines For Intervention Applications and Staff’s Recommendation*, directing Staff to file a recommendation or a status report on when it could file a recommendation by June 18, 2021. It also established an intervention deadline of June 4, 2021.

4. On June 4, 2021, Mary Frances Scholl and Terry L. Scholl filed an intervention request. To date, no party has objected to that request.
5. On May 19, 2021, ATXI filed a *Motion for Adoption of Procedural Schedule*, which included a full procedural schedule proceeding in a contested case framework. Staff did not object to this procedural schedule. In the schedule, Staff's report or testimony would be due August 17, 2021.
6. On June 7, 2021, the Commission issued its *Order Setting Procedural Conference*, setting a procedural conference for June 21, 2021 at 1:15 p.m.
7. In light of the proposed procedural schedule, Staff suggests at this time it may be more beneficial to discuss filing dates, including the date of Staff's report or testimony, at the procedural conference. This would allow the holistic development of a procedural schedule. In the alternative, if the Commission requires a date, Staff suggests the August 17, 2021 date in ATXI's proposed procedural schedule is still an appropriate date for Staff to file its recommendation regarding the application.
8. **WHEREFORE**, Staff prays the Commission accepts its *Status Report*, and approves the waiver request.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were served electronically to all counsel of record on this 18th day of June, 2021.

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