

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
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CASE NO: GA-2001-657

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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

In the Matter of the Application of Union)
Electric Company (d/b/a AmerenUE) for)
a Certificate of Public Convenience and)
Necessity Authorizing it to Construct,)
Install, Own, Operate, Control, Manage)
and Maintain Natural Gas Pipeline Facilities)
and a Gas Distribution System for the)
Public in the City of Flint Hill, Missouri, and)
Its Vicinity, as an Expansion of its Presently)
Certificated Area)

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**ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION, SCHEDULING PREHEARING CONFERENCE,
AND DIRECTING FILING OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

On May 30, 2001, Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE filed an application for a certificate of convenience and necessity to own and operate a natural gas distribution system in and around the city of Flint Hill. A timely application to intervene was filed by Laclede Gas Company. The application complies with 4 CSR 240-2.075, and Laclede will be granted intervention.

A prehearing conference will be scheduled to afford the parties the opportunity to discuss, define, and possibly resolve the issues presented in this case, and to discuss a procedural schedule. The Commission will also set a date for the filing of a proposed schedule in order to ensure that this case progresses.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

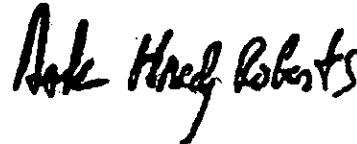
1. That Laclede Gas Company is granted intervention.

2. That a prehearing conference shall be held on August 9, 2001, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The prehearing conference shall be held at the Commission's office in the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, a building that meets accessibility standards of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs specific accessibility accommodations may call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or 1-800-829-7541 (TDD) prior to the hearing.

3. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule no later than August 17, 2001. The procedural schedule shall include dates for the filing of testimony and for a hearing.

4. That this order shall become effective on August 5, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION



**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

(S E A L)

Lewis Mills, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

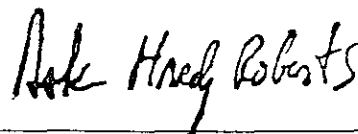
Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 26th day of July, 2001.

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 26th day of July 2001.



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

