

**STATE OF MISSOURI
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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 Joint Application of)
UtiliCorp United Inc. and St. Joseph)
Light & Power Company for Authority to)
Merge St. Joseph Light & Power Company)
with and into UtiliCorp United Inc., and,)
in Connection Therewith, Certain Other)
Related Transactions.)

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ORDER GRANTING APPLICATIONS FOR INTERVENTION

On October 19, 1999, UtiliCorp United Inc. (UtiliCorp) and St. Joseph Light & Power Company (SJLP) filed a joint application with the Commission for authority to merge SJLP with and into UtiliCorp. On October 26, the Commission issued an Order and Notice that directed all interested parties to file an application to intervene no later than November 15. Timely applications requesting intervention were filed by AG Processing Inc. (AGP), the City of Springfield, Missouri, through the Board of Public Utilities (City Utilities), Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE) and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR).

The Commission has reviewed each of the applications to intervene and finds that each is in compliance with Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(4). Each of the prospective intervenors has an interest in this matter that is different from that of the general public; City Utilities is a municipality; and granting each of the proposed interventions would serve the public interest. The Commission concludes that the

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applications for intervention filed by AGP, City Utilities, AmerenUE and MDNR should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Application to Intervene of AG Processing Inc. is granted.
2. That the Application to Intervene of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is granted.
3. That the Application to Intervene of Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE is granted.
4. That the Application to Intervene of the City of Springfield, Missouri, through the Board of Public Utilities is granted.
5. That this order shall become effective on November 29, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Morris L. Woodruff, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1), (November 30, 1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 17th day of November, 1999.

**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 17th day of November 1999.**



Dale Hardy Roberts

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