

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

In the Matter of the Revenue Effects)	
Upon Missouri Utilities of the Tax Cuts)	File No. AW-2018-0174
And Jobs Act of 2017.)	

AMEREN TRANSMISSION COMPANY OF ILLINOIS'
RESPONSE TO COMMISSION ORDER

COMES NOW Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois (“ATXI”), and provides the following response to the five questions set forth below posed in Commission’s *Order Opening a Working Proceeding Regarding the Effects Upon Missouri Utilities of the Tax Cuts of 2017 and Directing Response*.

Questions Posed:

1. What is the appropriate avenue for effectuating change to utility rates as a result of the federal income tax reductions?
2. Is a different avenue appropriate for regulated corporations and Commission-regulated pass-through entities such as S Corporations, LLCs, and partnerships?
3. What is the appropriate mechanism(s) for effectuating change to utility rates as a result of the federal income tax reductions?
4. How does the change to the federal income tax affect pending rate cases? Can the change be considered in the pending rate cases?
5. Please calculate the first-year approximate annual Missouri jurisdictional change in cost of service for your utility that is projected to result from implementation of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Acts of 2017 (all other things being equal) and provide supporting workpapers for this calculation.

Response:

ATXI is a transmission-only utility that currently has no direct-connected load or generation. Transmission service over ATXI’s facilities is provided by the Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc. (“MISO”) pursuant to its Open Access Transmission,

Energy and Operating Reserve Markets Tariff. ATXI is a Transmission Owner member of MISO, and ATXI's formula rate through which transmission service charges are assessed is regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. ATXI is currently working with MISO to develop a near term path to reflect the impact of the tax reform in its formula rate and pass those changes through to ATXI's transmission service customers.

WHEREFORE, ATXI hereby files the foregoing response to the Commission's January 3, 2018, Order.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ James B. Lowery
James B. Lowery, #40503
SMITH LEWIS, LLP
P.O. Box 918
Columbia, Missouri 65205
(573) 443-3141 (T)
(573) 443-3141 (F)
lowery@smithlewis.com

**Attorneys for Ameren Transmission
Company of Illinois**

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic transmission, facsimile or email to counsel for Staff and Public Counsel on this 31st day of January, 2018.

/s/ James B. Lowery