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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission 200 Madison Street, Suite 100 Jefferson City, MO 65101

Re: MPSC Case No. EM-96-149

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, in the above matter, please find an original and eight (8) copies of its **Request for Additional Time to File Response**.

Very truly yours,

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Managing Associate General Counsel

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Enclosures

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric)	
Company for an Order Authorizing: (1) Certain)	
Merger Transactions Involving Union Electric)	
Company; (2) The Transfer of Certain Assets, Real)	
Estate, Leased Property, Easements and)	Case No. EM-96-149
Contractual Agreements to Central Illinois Public)	
Services Company; and (3) In Connection Therewith,)	
Certain Other Related Transactions)	
Experimental Alternative Regulation Plan)	
of Union Electric Company)	

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL TIME TO FILE RESPONSE

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE ("Company" or "UE"), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080, and requests that the Commission allow five days for the Company to respond to the Missouri Public Service Commission Staff ("Staff") and the Office of Public Counsel ("OPC") filings concerning the procedural schedule for the 6th Sharing Period matter and the related complaint cases.

In its filing of May 6, 2002, the Staff proposed a new schedule for this matter. On May 10, 2002, OPC indicated in its filings, that it supported the Staff's new proposed schedule. The Company has not responded to that new proposal.

The Company, the Staff, and OPC have been in discussions concerning various aspects of this matter, including the merits of the matter and scheduling issues. To facilitate these discussions, with minimal impact on the timing of the ultimate resolution of these cases, the Company requests that the Commission refrain from acting on the proposed

schedules for the time being, and the Company be given an additional five days until May 21, 2002 to respond to the new schedules proposed by the Staff and OPC.

The undersigned has been authorized by attorneys for the Staff to indicate that the Staff has no objection to this request.

WHEREFORE, the Company hereby requests an additional five days in which to respond to the Staff and OPC proposed schedules in these matters.

Respectfully submitted,

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