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**Dale Hardy Roberts** 

Secretary of the Commission

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Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

RE:

Case No. EX-2003-0489

Dear Mr. Roberts:

I would like to state Sac Osage Electric Cooperative's opposition to adoption of the rule referenced above.

The PSC has advanced no rationale for using the information to be reported that does not duplicate activities already being conducted by either the PSC, cooperatives or both. For example the PSC suggested if it noted a recurrence of a particular type of incident it could issue a public notice to warn of the type of incident. This duplicates activities already performed by AMEC and its member cooperatives.

Also, the information reported could be used in litigation against cooperatives to enhance damage claims. Contrarily the PSC has advanced no explanation on how the reporting requirements will be used to improve safety. The new requirements are a cost and potential tool to be used against cooperatives with no benefits of any kind.

The time requirements of the rule are unrealistic and will cause limited cooperative resources to be drawn away from repair and remedy and instead be devoted to meaningless reporting. For example an automobile accident on a Saturday night will require investigation immediately and delay restoration of service.

Your consideration of Sac Osage Electric Cooperative's opposition to this ruling would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Ben Harper

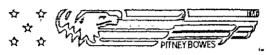
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