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STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office  
in Jefferson City on the 24th  
day of September, 1997.

In the Matter of the Application and	)	
Request for Expedited Treatment of	)	
Union Electric Company for Approval	)	
of Decommissioning Cost Estimate and	)	<u>CASE NO. EO-97-86</u>
Funding Level of Nuclear	)	
Decommissioning Trust Fund, and	)	
Contingent Request for Waiver of	)	
Quarterly Funding Requirement.	)	

**ORDER DIRECTING THE FILING OF SUGGESTIONS IN SUPPORT OF  
STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT**

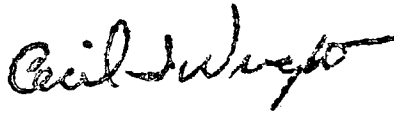
Union Electric Company (UE) filed an application for approval of the funding level of nuclear decommissioning costs for its Callaway plant with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) on September 3, 1996. On April 22, 1997, the parties filed a Unanimous Stipulation And Agreement (Stipulation). However, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) has not to date filed its suggestions in support of the Stipulation, and no further formal action has been taken since the Stipulation was filed over four months ago. The Commission finds that Staff should be directed to file its suggestions in support of the Stipulation by October 24, or an explanation of why it is unable to comply with this directive. In addition, the Commission finds that the suggestions in support should address UE's request for a waiver of the Commission's quarterly funding requirement, and should address how the Stipulation will affect or will be affected by the requirements of the Internal Revenue Service.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the Staff of the Commission shall file its suggestions in support of the Unanimous Stipulation And Agreement no later than October 24, 1997 or, in the alternative, an explanation of why it is unable to comply with this directive.

2. That this order shall become effective on September 24, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Cecil I. Wright", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Cecil I. Wright  
Executive Secretary

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Lumpe, Chm., Crumpton,  
Murray, and Drainer,  
CC., Concur.

ALJ: Bensavage