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UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a AMEREN MISSOURI

CASE NO. EU-2012-0027

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri for the Issuance of an Accounting Authority Order Relating to its Electrical Operations.) Case	No. EU-2012-0027									
AFFIDAVIT OF JASON D. CARTER											

STATE OF MISSOURI)) ss COUNTY OF COLE)

Jason D. Carter, of lawful age, on his oath states: that he has participated in the preparation of the following Rebuttal Testimony in question and answer form, consisting of 4 pages of Rebuttal Testimony to be presented in the above case, that the answers in the following Rebuttal Testimony were given by him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such answers; and that such matters are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Jason D. Carter

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of March, 2012.

SUSAN L. SUNDERMEYER
Notary Public - Notary Seal
State of Missouri
Commissioned for Callaway County
My Commission Expires: October 03, 2014
Commission Number: 10942086

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11	I. Introduction
12	Q. Please state your name and business address.
13	A. Jason D. Carter. My business address is Missouri Public Service Commission,
14	200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.
15	Q. What is your position with the Missouri Public Service Commission?
16	A. I am a Regulatory Economist in the Economic Analysis section of the Energy
17	Unit in the Regulatory Review Division.
18	Q. Please describe your educational background and employment experience.
19	A. I graduated with a Master of Science Degree in Applied Economics with an
20	emphasis in regulatory economics from Illinois State University in May 2011. I obtained my
21	Bachelor of Science in Economics from the same institution in May 2009.
22	I have been employed by the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission")
23	since August 2011. Prior experience in the electricity industry includes an internship during
24	the summer of 2010 at Constellation Energy in Market and Product Development. Other
25	experience includes internships as a Budget Analyst for McLean County (IL) Government
26	and an Office Intern for Illinois State Representative Dan Brady.
27	II. Purpose of Testimony
28	Q. What is the purpose of your testimony in this proceeding?

A. Ameren Missouri should not be allowed cost recovery based on Commission Staff ("Staff") Witnesses Mark Oligschlaeger's and Lena Mantle's testimonies. However, should the Commission decide to allow recovery, my testimony shows Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri" or "Company") should not be awarded the full \$36,194,690 requested in page 5, line 14 and Schedule SMW-2 of Company Witness Steven M. Wills' direct testimony. The numbers used to calculate the lost revenues do not properly adjust for fuel costs in the line loss charge and leap year. After the adjustments, Ameren Missouri's lost revenues amount is \$35,347,378, which is \$847,312 less than the Ameren Missouri calculation of \$36,194,690.

III. Adjustments to Ameren's Fixed Costs Calculation

- Q. Have you reviewed the direct testimony of Ameren Missouri Witness Steven M. Wills?
 - A. Yes.
 - Q. What adjustments need to be made to Mr. Wills' fixed costs calculation?
- A. Ameren Missouri incorrectly includes two extra days of costs in the recovery period due to the base of the forecast being a leap year. I refer to this correction as the leap year adjustment. The Company also did not remove fuel costs recovered in the line loss charge. I refer to this adjustment as the line loss charge adjustment.
 - Q. Why is the leap year adjustment necessary and how was it calculated?
- A. Because Noranda has a consistent load, Ameren Missouri used the period leading up to the January 2009 storm as a forecast for Noranda's load from January 2009 to April 2010. Consequently, the load data from February 2008 was used as the forecast for Noranda's February 2009 and 2010 loads.

Using February 2008 load is problematic because the month had 29 days instead of the typical 28 days. My adjustment to the forecasts for February 2009 and 2010 simply removes 1/29 of the forecasted load to reflect those Februaries' 28 days. Removing the extra day from both Februaries results in a more accurate prediction of Noranda's load had it been at full operation.

Similar adjustments for leap days were used in Case Nos. ER-2010-0036 and ER-2011-0028 by Ameren Missouri and Staff.

- Q. What impact does the leap year adjustment have on the requested recovery amount?
- A. The leap year adjustment reduces the forecasted load 22,694 MWh, which lowers Ameren Missouri's recovery amount by \$419,061, from \$36,194,690 to \$35,775,628.
 - Q. Why is the line loss charge adjustment necessary?
- A. Since Large Transmission Service line losses are not subject to the fuel-adjustment clause, the line loss charge (LLC) adjustment is necessary to remove fuel costs recovered in the charge.
 - Q. How did you calculate the LLC adjustment?
- A. To isolate the fuel portion of the LLC requires a look at its derivation. The LLC is derived from the Large Transmission Service tariff rates, which include both energy and demand charges. Although fixed costs are recovered in both the energy and demand charges, the energy portion also contains net base fuel costs. The net base fuel portion of the energy charge serves as a proxy for the fuel recovered through the LLC. Subtracting the net base fuel costs from the energy charge before deriving the LLC removes the fuel costs from

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the LLC. The adjustment is first applied in March 2009 and extends through the rest of the recovery period.

- Q. Why is the LLC not adjusted until March 2009?
- A. The LLC is not adjusted for January and February 2009 because the fueladjustment clause did not take effect until March 2009.
- Q. What impact does the LLC adjustment have on the requested recovery amount?
- The LLC adjustment decreases Ameren Missouri's request by an additional A. \$428,250. The LLC and the leap year adjustment together reduce Ameren's \$36,194,690 request to \$35,347,378 (a total reduction of \$847,312). Reference Schedule JDC-1 for leap year and LLC adjustments' effect on Ameren Missouri's request.

Note the leap year adjustment affects the magnitude of the LLC adjustment. The interaction is due to the leap year adjustment reducing Noranda's load and consequently the amount of line losses. If the leap year adjustment is not made, then the LLC adjustment increases by \$3,178 to \$431,428.

- Q. Does this conclude your rebuttal testimony?
- A. Yes.

Load Reduction Period:

Lost Fixed	Cost Recovery	due to Load	Reduction	(484,377)	1,283,769)	4,535,038	3,753,564	3,393,122	4,714,588	4,561,507	4,271,893	3,980,151	2,573,504	2,075,885	1,554,188	1,063,174	481,876	142,127	4,306	5,347,378
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_	Losses			427	3,176	4,409	5,436	6,541	6,605	7,046	7,383	7,400	7,858	8,325	9,408	10,378	10,165	11,368	3,128	
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