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RE: Case No. EE-2000-561

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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

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In the Matter of Union Electric Company's)
Application for a Variance from the)
Provisions of 4 CSR 240-13.015 (R) and)
Company's Electric Tariff V. I and)
Gas Tariff VIII.E)

Case No. EE-2000-561

Staff Recommendation

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its
recommendation states:

1. In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled Appendix A, the Staff
recommends that the Missouri Public Service Commission issue an Order to approve the
following proposed tariff sheets, as filed on January 23, 2001, to become effective on
February 23, 2001:

Gas Tariff Sheets:

P.S.C. Mo. No. 2,

3rd Revised SHEET No. 38 Cancelling 2nd Revised SHEET No. 38
3rd Revised SHEET No. 57 Cancelling 2nd Revised SHEET No. 57
Original SHEET No. 78

Electric Tariff Sheets:


P.S.C. MO. SCHEDULE NO. 5

10th Revised SHEET NO. 125 CANCELLING 9th Revised SHEET NO. 125
3rd Revised SHEET NO. 172 CANCELLING 2nd Revised SHEET NO. 172
Original SHEET NO. 210

2. These proposed tariff sheets are in compliance with the Commission's
October 31, 2000 Order Approving Variance From Commission Rule issued in the instant case.

Respectfully submitted,

DANA K. JOYCE
General Counsel

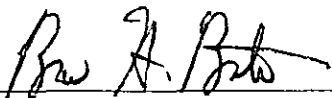


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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel or parties of record as shown on the attached service list this 16th day of February, 2001.

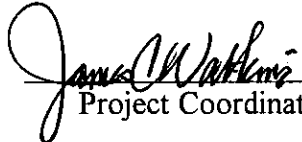



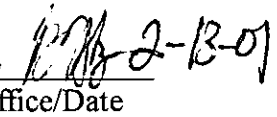
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
Case No. EE-2000-561, Tariff File Nos. 200100770 (gas) & 200100771 (electric),
Union Electric Company

FROM: James C. Watkins, Project Coordinator, Regulatory Economist III
Electric Department – Rates & Tariffs

 02/13/01
Project Coordinator/Date

 2/13/01 
General Counsel's Office/Date

SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation for **Approval** of Tariff Sheets to Reflect the Granting of a
Variance Allowing "Internet Billing" by Union Electric Company

DATE: February 13, 2001

On January 23, 2001, Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE (UE or Company) filed tariff sheets with the Missouri Public Service Commission to explicitly allow participation in its Budget Billing program by customers with internet billing. UE's present tariffs require such customers to have "postcard billing."

In its October 31, 2000 Order Approving Variance From Commission Rule, the Commission ordered "[t]hat the variance granted by this order shall not become effective until Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE has filed, and the Commission has approved, tariff revisions reflecting the granted variance."

The Missouri Public Service Commission Electric - Tariff / Rate Design Staff, in coordination with the Gas- Tariff / Rate Design Staff, has reviewed the filed tariff sheets and is of the opinion that they are consistent with the Commission's order.

Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order approving the following gas tariff sheets and electric tariff sheets:

Gas Tariff Sheets:

P.S.C. Mo. No. 2,

3rd Revised SHEET No. 38 Cancelling 2nd Revised SHEET No. 38

3rd Revised SHEET No. 57 Cancelling 2nd Revised SHEET No. 57

Original SHEET No. 78

Electric Tariff Sheets:

P.S.C. MO. SCHEDULE NO. 5

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