## Schedule R-JJ-01

## MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE

Missouri Department of Conservation

AND

Ameren Services Company, as agent for

Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois

This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is entered into between the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) and Ameren Services Company, as agent for Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois (Ameren) (referred to jointly as the "Parties"). Ameren has proposed an approximately 14-19 mile 138kV transmission line and related substations in Perry and Cape Girardeau Counties (the "Project" or the "Limestone Ridge Project") to improve energy reliability for local communities in Southeast Missouri.

Ameren, in collaboration with Wabash Valley Power Alliance (WVPA), Citizens Electric Corporation (CEC), and Ameren Missouri, proposes to construct the Project along a route that includes a portion of the Apple Creek Conservation Area (ACCA). Ameren will construct the Project in a manner that is not inconsistent with the ACCA Management Plan and MDC will not object to the proposed route through the ACCA as part of the Project's construction. <sup>1</sup> The Parties understand that the utility easements that presently exist on the ACCA site today are not sufficient to accommodate the Limestone Ridge Project and will need to be addressed through continuing discussions.

This MOA is made and entered into with the Intent of obtaining these objectives.

Ameren has determined that the Limestone Ridge Project will improve energy reliability, provide additional energy support to local manufacturing facilities, and allow for efficient future expansion of the transmission grid. MDC has been working with Ameren on the Project details as they relate to the ACCA; and they will continue to work together to determine the best way to achieve the Project goals as they relate to the ACCA. MDC has a full understanding of Ameren's intentions with the Project as they relate to the ACCA, and does not oppose those intentions.

The Project, as it relates to the ACCA, will be constructed in accordance with one or more easement agreements that will be necessary between Ameren and MDC, which owns and manages the ACCA. Ameren and MDC will work to negotiate compensation and enter into easement(s) in a form acceptable to MDC across the ACCA that will pose minimal environmental impact.

A copy of the proposed route for the transmission line in an around the ACCA is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. Ameren chose this route after gathering data from governmental entities, other stakeholders, landowners, and community members.

For avoidance of doubt, the Project may also trigger the relocation of an existing WVPA/CEC line adjacent to a shooting range In the ACCA. That relocation is being proposed to accommodate the shooting range and to help ensure that the Project facilities (I.e., the new line) are generally the same distance away from the shooting range as the existing WVPA/CEC facilities. This relocation may require a new or additional easement with WVPA and/or CEC. The parties have discussed and understand the general intent of the relocation in the area adjacent to the shooting range.

The Parties recognize the importance of working together to implement their respective missions to manage conservation areas for Missouri citizens and provide safe and reliable energy to Ameren's customers. In order to accomplish their respective missions, the Parties agree to adhere to the principles, roles, and responsibilities outlined in this MOA.

MDC agrees to refrain from objecting or otherwise obstructing the progress towards and eventual construction of the Project in the proposed route through the ACCA and shall not object to and shall cooperate with Ameren in the drafting and execution of the easement agreement(s) in a form acceptable to MDC, subject to Ameren paying fair and reasonable compensation in an amount acceptable to MDC for the easement. Ameren shall construct the Project in a manner that is not inconsistent with the ACCA 25-Year Area Management Plan and in conformance with all applicable federal and state regulations.

Construction, Ameren Transmission

