BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Timothy Watson,)	
•	Complainant,)	
V.	·)	File No. EC-2014-0133
_)	
Union Electric Company, d/b/a			
Ameren Missouri,)	
	Respondent)	

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Issue Date: December 18, 2013 Effective Date: December 18, 2013

On November 12, 2013, the Commission issued an order directing the Staff of the Commission to investigate this complaint and file a report no later than December 27, 2013. On December 17, 2013, Staff filed a motion seeking additional time, until January 17, 2014, to file its report. Staff informs the Commission that after contacting all of the parties concerning the motion, no party objects to the extension.

Rule 4 CSR 240-2.050(3) states:

When an act is required or allowed to be done by order or rule of the commission at or within a specified time, the commission may

- (A) Order the period enlarged before the expiration of the period originally prescribed or as extended by a previous order; or
- (B) After the expiration of the specified period, permit the act to be done where the failure to act was the result of excusable neglect or for other good cause shown.

In subsection "(B)" there is a standard of "excusable neglect" or "good cause" required for requesting an extension of time. There is, however, no standard for making such a request prior to the expiration of the time. It therefore follows that the Commission may grant Staff's

request without reason; particularly because no party objects to Staff's motion. The Commission will therefore grant the requested relief and direct Staff to file its report by the date Staff suggests.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Staff of the Commission's Motion for Extension of Time is granted.
- 2. The Staff of the Commission shall file, no later than January 17, 2014, a report and recommendation.
 - 3. This order shall become effective upon issuance.



BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Kennard L. Jones, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 18th day of December, 2013.