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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS



Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission 200 Madison Street, Suite 100 Jefferson City, MO 65101

Re: MPSC Case No. EC-2002-1025

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, in the above matter, please find an original and eight (8) copies of its **Response To Staff's Motion For Protective Order**.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this filing by stamping a copy of the enclosed letter and returning it to me in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

Very truly yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

The Staff of the Missouri Public)
Service Commission,)
Complainant,)))
V.) Case No. EC-2002-1025
Union Electric Company, d.b.a. AmerenUE)))
Respondent)

RESPONSE TO STAFF'S MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

COMES NOW Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE ("the Company") and in response to the Staff's filing of April 15, 2002 wherein Staff requests a Protective Order in the new complaint matter (EC-2002-1025).

- 1. The Company requests the Commission to issue said Protective Order. If the Commission issues a Notice in this matter and the parties proceed to conduct additional discovery and submit additional testimony, confidential material may very well be provided to the Staff and other parties.
- 2. Accordingly, the Company supports this request for a Protective Order as requested by the Staff.

WHEREFORE, the Company requests that the Protective Order requested by the Staff be issued.

Respectfully submitted,

UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY

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