

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

In the Matter of the First Prudence Review)
of the Missouri Energy Efficiency)
Investment Act (MEEIA) Cycle 3 Energy) File No. EO-2021-0157
Efficiency Programs and Cycle 2 Long-Lead)
Projects of Union Electric Company d/b/a)
Ameren Missouri.)

STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri” or “the Company”) and submits to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") this *Status Report*, stating as follows:

1. On December 3, 2020, the Commission's Staff issued a pleading titled *Staff's Notice of Start of First MEEIA¹ Prudence Review of Cycle 3 Energy Efficiency Programs and Cycle 2 Long-Lead Projects ("Notice")*. 20 CSR 4240-20.093(11)(B) requires Staff to submit a recommendation regarding its prudence review not later than 150 days after the initiation of the prudence audit. Accordingly, on May 3, 2021, Staff submitted a report titled *Staff Report of First MEEIA Prudence Review of Cycle 3 of Costs Related to the Demand-Side Programs Investment Mechanism and Cycle 2 Long-Lead Projects for the Electric Operations of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Report")*. The *Report* recommended a total new disallowance of \$307,464.10 based on the recommendation to disallow an expense.² On May 10, 2021, in accordance with 20 CSR 4240-20.091(11)(B), Ameren Missouri requested a hearing and asked the Commission to schedule a procedural conference

¹ Missouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act.

² Staff also recommended the carryover of an Ordered Adjustment, plus interest, from the last Ameren Missouri MEEIA prudence review which the Company failed to include in its subsequent DSIM filing.

2. On May 12, 2021, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Proposed Procedural Schedule* ("Order"), directing Ameren Missouri and Staff to submit either a proposed procedural schedule or a status report regarding their progress by May 26, 2021.

3. Ameren Missouri and Staff have since undertaken discussions in order to explore whether this matter could be settled without hearing. While the parties have engaged in productive discussions, they require additional time to fully vet any potential settlement, and failing that, develop an appropriate procedural schedule. Accordingly, Ameren Missouri requests an additional 30 days to continue discussions.

WHEREFORE, Ameren Missouri respectfully requests that the Commission accept this *Status Report*, grant the parties an additional 30 days to continue discussions, and grant such other relief deemed appropriate under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been hand-delivered, transmitted by e-mail or mailed, First Class, postage prepaid, this 26th day of May, 2021, to counsel for all parties on the Commission's service list in this case.

/s/ Paula N. Johnson