

August 21, 2000

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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
P. O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Re: MPSC Case Nos. EM-2000-369

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 **Statement of Position**.

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,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Cook", is written over the typed name and title.

James J. Cook
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Enclosures

cc: Ms. Shelly Register
Parties on Attached Service List

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Service Commission

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)
UtiliCorp United Inc. and The Empire)
District Electric Company for Authority to)
Merge The Empire District Electric Company)
With and into UtiliCorp United Inc., and,)
In Connection Therewith, Certain Other)
Related Transactions)

Case No. EM-2000-369

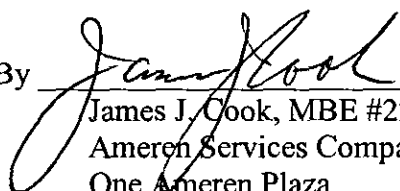
STATEMENT OF POSITION

COMES NOW Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE ("Ameren"), and informs the Commission and the parties to this matter that it takes no position on any of the issues in this matter at this time. Ameren reserves the right to submit a brief or briefs at the conclusion of the hearings, but Ameren does not anticipate taking an active role in those hearings.

Dated: August 21, 2000

Respectfully submitted,

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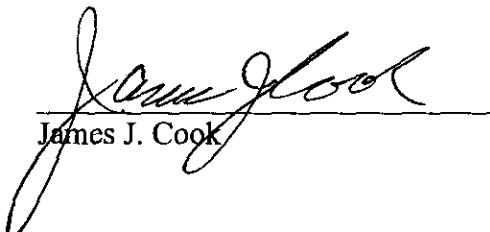
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