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Mr. Brent Stewart, Executive Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
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Dear Mr. Stewart:

The accompanying tariff sheets issued by Union Electric Company are transmitted to you for filing as revisions of Schedule No. 5, Schedule of Rates for Electric Service:

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Original Sheet No. 120.1	-
Original Sheet No. 120.2	-
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This new rider filed by Union Electric Company-Rider P-PowerStat Program Rider, is experimental in nature. Such program will allow up to one hundred (100) residential customers located within the city limits of Jefferson City, Missouri, to purchase electricity in advance of use through a special metering device. More specifically, this Rider P will provide the Company with research information on the effectiveness and attractiveness of having customers pay for electricity in advance to allow them to buy electricity when they need it, on their own schedule, and in amounts they can afford.

Due to the orientation of this experimental program toward research, the provisions of this Rider P limit the number of participants in the program in order that maximum information can be obtained from such research at minimum cost.

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effective May 5, 1991.

Yours truly,

William E. Jaude

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APPLYING TO

RIDER PPOWERSTAT PROGRAM RIDER1. Application

The PowerStat program (hereafter "program") applies to the advance purchase of electricity provided through a PowerStat metering device and a PowerCard, subject to the definitions and conditions below. The terms "PowerStat" and "PowerCard" are registered trademarks of CIC Systems, Inc.

2. Availability

This program is of an experimental nature and shall be a limited option to residential customers at dwelling units located within the city limits of Jefferson City, Mo. It shall have no more than 100 of such customers participating in the program at any one time, as approved and determined by the Company. The Company shall have the right to refuse any applicant from participating in the program.

3. Definitions and Conditions

All provisions and rates set forth in the Company's tariffs shall apply to the program except that the following provisions of its tariffs on Billing Practices shall not apply: Budget Billing Plan (Sheet Nos. 172-173); Deferred Pay Date Program (Sheet No. 173); Notice of Intent to Disconnect Residential Service (Sheet No. 181); Residential Customer Contact and Notice of Disconnection (Sheet No. 182); Disconnection Hours (Sheet No. 182); Delay of Disconnection for Medical Reasons (Sheet No. 182); and Avoidance of Disconnection of Service (Sheet No. 183).

Before any PowerStat equipment is installed, each participant shall sign an Agreement with the Company which sets forth the responsibilities of the Company and each participant. (See Form of Agreement following Section 5 of this rider.)

The Company shall add a PowerStat prepaid metering system to the participant's meter installation.

The applicable rate for this program shall be in accordance with the Company's residential tariffs.

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A customer moving into a dwelling unit which has an existing PowerStat metering system may become a participant in the program, at the Company's discretion. If the Company elects not to allow such a customer to become a participant, the Company shall remove the PowerStat metering system.

When the participant is a tenant residing in rental property, the Company may require written concurrence from the property owner or its authorized agent that the tenant may participate in the program.

4. The PowerStat Program and the Cold Weather Rule

During the Cold Weather Period, from November 15 through March 31, all PowerCards shall be encoded to provide each participant with limited service of not less than 2,000 watts when the "amount remaining" display on the PowerStat unit reaches zero. Wattage shall be increased appropriately for participants with electric heating to a maximum of 15,500 watts. This limited electric service shall permit heating, lighting and refrigeration during the Cold Weather Period according to the following conditions. Any electric service used after the "amount remaining" reaches zero shall accumulate and show on the PowerStat display as a negative value. When additional service is purchased, the accumulated negative value shall be subtracted, and any balance shall show as the new "amount remaining". Participants with a negative balance are required to purchase one or more PowerCards in the value of the "amount remaining" or \$75 each 30 days, whichever is less, to avoid disconnection of service.

5. Termination

The Company reserves the right to terminate the program as of December 31, 1992.

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I hereby agree to participate in an experimental program called PowerStat in which I will pay Union Electric in advance for the use of electricity.

I have discussed this program with representatives of Union Electric, and I understand how the program will operate and that special equipment will be installed. In particular, I understand that my residence will be without electricity from April 1 through November 14 for any time that I permit the PowerStat display to reach zero. I also understand that during the Cold Weather Period (November 15 through March 31) I will be eligible for limited service when the display reaches zero, and will not be disconnected, provided that I purchase one or more PowerCards each 30 days in the value of the amount shown on the display, or \$75, whichever is less.

I understand that the rate, definitions, and conditions applicable to this program are subject to changes made by order of the Missouri Public Service Commission, or any other governmental body having jurisdiction.

I understand that Union Electric will own and maintain the PowerStat equipment installed in my residence, and will keep this equipment in good working order. I therefore give permission for Union Electric employees to enter my residence from time to time at reasonable hours for the purpose of inspecting and maintaining the PowerStat equipment and also for obtaining readings on the PowerStat display.

I also understand that it is solely my responsibility as to how I obtain and use the PowerCards, and not that of Union Electric.

For Participants with Arrearages from Previous Residences

(Applicable? Yes No)

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I further agree to make an initial payment of \$_____ and also a minimum of _____% of each advance payment under this program which will be applied to the amount I now owe Union Electric for electricity consumed in the past. This percentage shall apply until my debt is repaid.

Customer Name_____
Customer Address_____
Customer Signature_____
Date

Accepted on behalf of Union Electric Company:

Date: _____

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