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Missouri Public Service Commission



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OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Marlyn Young,)
Complain	ant,
v .	Case No. EC-2007-0273
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE,)
Respond) ent.)

NOTICE OF COMPLAINT AND ORDER DIRECTING STAFF INVESTIGATION

Issue Date: January 23, 2007 Effective Date: January 23, 2007

Legal Department One Ameren Plaza 1901 Chouteau Ave. St. Louis, Missouri 63166 CERTIFIED MAIL

On January 22, 2007, Marlyn Young filed a complaint with the Missouri Public Service Commission against AmerenUE, a copy of which is enclosed. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.070, Respondent AmerenUE shall have 30 days from the date of this notice to file an answer or to file notice that the complaint has been satisfied.

In the alternative, the Respondent may file a written request that the complaint be referred to a neutral third-party mediator for **voluntary mediation** of the complaint. Upon receipt of a request for mediation, the 30-day time period shall be tolled while the Commission ascertains whether or not the Complainant is also willing to submit to voluntary mediation. If the Complainant agrees to mediation, the time period within which an answer

is due shall be suspended pending the resolution of the mediation process. Additional information regarding the mediation process is enclosed.

If the Complainant declines the opportunity to seek mediation, the Respondent will be notified in writing that the tolling has ceased and will also be notified of the date by which an answer or notice of satisfaction must be filed. That period will usually be the remainder of the original 30-day period.

All pleadings (the answer, the notice of satisfaction of complaint or request for mediation) shall be mailed to:

Secretary of the Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0360

A copy shall be served upon the Complainant at the Complainant's address as listed within the enclosed complaint. A copy of this notice has been mailed to the Complainant.

Further the Commission will direct the Staff of the Commission to investigate the facts in this case and to file a report under Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.070(10).

Under this rule, the Commission may request, after a formal complaint has been filed, an analysis by its Staff of the reasons underlying the complaint. The Staff must then file its findings with the Commission and serve copies on the other parties.

The Commission views its Staff as an unbiased third party in this complaint case and will direct the Staff to investigate the contested issues set out in the pleadings and to file a report of its findings with the Commission. Staff also has the discretion to report findings as to any other contested issues in this case, which may appear during its investigation.

The Commission will direct the Staff to file a report and will allow the parties to file responsive pleadings to that report.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE shall, no later than February 22,
 2007, file a response to this complaint.
- 2. The Staff of the Commission shall file, no later than February 27, 2007, a report of its investigation in this matter.
 - 3. Any party may file a response to Staff's report no later than March 9, 2007.
 - 4. This order shall become effective on January 23, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

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 23rd day of January, 2007.



Commissioners

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Information Sheet Regarding Mediation of Commission Formal Complaint Cases

Mediation is a process whereby the parties themselves work to resolve their dispute with the aid of a neutral third-party mediator. This process is sometimes referred to as "facilitated negotiation." The mediator's role is advisory and although the mediator may offer suggestions, the mediator has no authority to impose a solution nor will the mediator determine who "wins." Instead, the mediator simply works with both parties to facilitate communications and to attempt to enable the parties to reach an agreement which is mutually agreeable to both the complainant and the respondent.

The mediation process is explicitly a problem-solving one in which neither the parties nor the mediator are bound by the usual constraints such as the rules of evidence or the other formal procedures required in hearings before the Missouri Public Service Commission. Although many private mediators charge as much as \$250 per hour, the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law has agreed to provide this service to parties who have formal complaints pending before the Public Service Commission at no charge. Not only is the service provided free of charge, but mediation is also less expensive than the formal complaint process because the assistance of an attorney is not necessary for mediation. In fact, the parties are encouraged not to bring an attorney to the mediation meeting.

The formal complaint process before the Commission invariably results in a determination by which there is a "winner" and a "loser" although the value of winning may well be offset by the cost of attorneys fees and the delays of protracted litigation. Mediation is not only a much quicker process but it also offers the unique opportunity for informal, direct communication between the two parties to the complaint and mediation is far more likely to result in a settlement which, because it was mutually agreed to, pleases both parties. This is traditionally referred to as "win-win" agreement.

The traditional mediator's role is to (1) help the participants understand the mediation process, (2) facilitate their ability to speak directly to each other, (3) maintain order, (4) clarify misunderstandings, (5) assist in identifying issues, (6) diffuse unrealistic expectations, (7) assist in translating one participant's perspective or proposal into a form that is more understandable and acceptable to the other participant, (8) assist the participants with the actual negotiation process, (9) occasionally a mediator may propose a possible solution, and (10) on rare occasions a mediator may encourage a participant to accept a particular solution. The mediator will not possess any specialized knowledge of the utility industry or of utility law.

In order for the Commission to refer a complaint case to mediation, the parties must both agree to mediate their conflict in good faith. The party filing the complaint must agree to appear and to make a good faith effort to mediate and the utility company against which the complaint has been filed must send a representative who has full authority to settle the complaint case. The essence of mediation stems from the fact that the participants are both genuinely interested in resolving the complaint.

Because mediation thrives in an atmosphere of free and open discussion, all settlement offers and other information which is revealed during mediation is shielded against subsequent disclosure in front of the Missouri Public Service Commission and is considered to be privileged information. The only information which must be disclosed to the Public Service Commission is (a) whether the case has been settled and (b) whether, irrespective of the outcome, the mediation effort was considered to be a worthwhile endeavor. The Commission will not ask what took place during the mediation.

If the dispute is settled at the mediation, the Commission will require a signed release from the complainant in order for the Commission to dismiss the formal complaint case.

If the dispute is not resolved through the mediation process, neither party will be prejudiced for having taken part in the mediation and, at that point, the formal complaint case will simply resume its normal course.

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Name: MARLYN YOUNG Complainant	Missouri Public) Service Commission)
vs. UNION ELECTRIC dba Company Name: AMEREN UNION ELECTRIC Respondent) Case No.) _)
COMPLAINT	
Complainant resides at 2437 WIECK	DRIVE
ST. LOUIS, MO 63136	
1. Respondent, AMEREN UNION	
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3. The Complainant has taken the following steps to present this complaint to the Respondent:

WHEREFORE, Complainant no	w requests the following relief:
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January 15, 2007

Mo. Public Service Commission Data Center P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

Re: Formal Complaint

On or about November 2006, Ameren Union Electric through the use of deceptive business practices made false entries on my services account. Ameren Union Electric willfully and with malice fail to make true and correct meter reading entries on my service account at 2437 Wieck Drive St. Louis, MO.

Ameren Union Electric, diverted electric service payments which were for services at 2437 Wieck Dr., to a false or fake meter point using a deceptive business practice.

Ameren Union Electric, using false or fake service account information and false or fake separate meter readings terminated electric services at my home when Complainant disputed the charges and in violation 4CSR 240-13.050(2)(B) and PSMO 386.560.

Due to the wrongful actions of Ameren Union Electric, Complainant had to vacate his Home due to health and safety issues and municipal violations, and was force to obtain Alternative shelter. The willful actions of Ameren Union Electric cause the Complainant Irreparable and personal injury. Complainant is seeking compensatory, pain and suffering, and punitive damages in the amount of \$67,115.00

Sincerely

Mailing Address:

Marlyn Young

P.O. Box 2437

Florissant, MO 63033

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STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this $23^{\rm rd}$ day of January, 2007.

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION January 23, 2007

Case No. EC-2007-0273

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St. Louis, MO 63166

Enclosed find a certified copy of a NOTICE in the above-numbered case(s).

Secretary