

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of Union Electric Company)
d/b/a AmerenUE for Authority to File)
Tariffs Increasing Rates for Gas Service)
Provided to Customers in the Company's)
Missouri Service Area)

Missouri Public
Service Commission

Case No. GR-2000-512

TEST YEAR AND UPDATE PERIOD RECOMMENDATION OF
UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY

Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, by and through its counsel, and, pursuant to Ordered Paragraph 3 of the Suspension Order and Notice entered by the Commission in this proceeding on March 3, 2000, respectfully submits its test year and update period recommendation, as follows:

1. AmerenUE recommends that the twelve month period ending June 30, 1999 be utilized as the test year in this proceeding and that such test year be updated with known and measurable changes through April 30, 2000. As explained in the direct testimony of AmerenUE witness Richard J. Kovach (p. 6), filed concurrently with this pleading, the June 30, 1999 test year was selected as the basis for AmerenUE's February 18, 2000 tariff filing because at the time said filing was being prepared, it represented the most current complete heating season for which accounting data and consistent and consecutive customer base, revenues and billing units were available.

2. In response to Paragraph Ordered 5 of the Commission's Suspension Order and Notice, Union Electric does not recommend a true-up audit and hearing.

WHEREFORE, AmerenUE respectfully requests that the Commission issue its order adopting AmerenUE's Test Year and Update Period Recommendation made herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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