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STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 21st
day of March, 2000.

In the Matter of the Investigation into)
the Class Cost of Service and Rate Design)
for Union Electric Company.) Case No. EO-96-15

ORDER DENYING REHEARING

On February 29, 2000, the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) issued its Order Directing Rate Reduction, effective March 10, 2000, which directed Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE) to file tariff sheets with the Commission no later than March 27, 2000, implementing a permanent rate reduction in the amount of \$16,321,000, effective April 1, 2000. In addition, the Commission directed AmerenUE to issue credits on customers' bills beginning on May 1, 2000, for excess revenues billed between September 1, 1998, and April 1, 2000, and to file a notice of compliance. On March 9, 2000, AmerenUE filed its Application for Rehearing.

Pursuant to Section 386.500, RSMo 1994, and Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.160(3), the Commission shall grant a rehearing if in its judgment there is sufficient reason to do so. AmerenUE's application did not raise any new matters that had not been addressed previously by the Commission. The Commission finds that there is not sufficient reason to grant rehearing or reconsideration, and the Commission will deny AmerenUE's application.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Application for Rehearing filed by Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE, on March 9, 2000, is denied.
2. That this order shall become effective on March 31, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Murray,
Schemenauer, and Drainer, CC., concur

Register, Regulatory Law Judge

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