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3		BRENDA I. WEBER
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5		I. INTRODUCTION
6	Q.	Please state your name and business address.
7	A.	My name is Brenda I. Weber. My business address is One Ameren Plaza,
8	1901 Choute	au Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63103.
9	Q.	By whom are you employed and in what capacity?
10	A.	I am employed by Ameren Services Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of
11	Ameren Cor	poration ("Ameren"), as Assistant Treasurer and Director Corporate Finance.
12	Ameren Serv	vices Company provides various corporate support services to Ameren and its
13	subsidiaries,	including Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren
14	Missouri" or	"Company"), such as accounting, legal, financial, and treasury services.
15	Q.	What are your current job duties and responsibilities?
16	A.	As Assistant Treasurer and Director Corporate Finance, I am responsible for
17	managing A	meren's and its subsidiaries' short-term and long-term financing activities,
18	including tho	se of Ameren Missouri. These activities include debt and equity issuance, credit
19	facility arran	gement, monitoring the companies' liquidity positions and key credit metrics,
20	monitoring o	compliance with debt agreements, managing relationships with credit rating

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1	agencies and	banks, and monitoring capital markets for key developments, emerging risks,
2	and opportun	ities, among other corporate finance-related activities.
3	Q.	Please provide your educational background and relevant work
4	experience.	
5	A.	See my Statement of Qualifications, attached as Schedule BIW-D1 to this
6	testimony.	
7		II. PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY
8	Q.	What is the purpose of your direct testimony?
9	A.	My testimony discusses a lead-lag study prepared for Ameren Missouri's
10	electric busine	ess that I used to develop cash working capital factors ("CWC factors"). The CWC
11	factors are use	ed by Ameren Missouri witness Laura Moore to calculate the Company's cash
12	working capit	al requirements.
13	Q.	Are you sponsoring any schedules in connection with your direct
14	testimony?	
15	A.	Yes, in addition to schedule BIW-D1 referenced earlier, I am sponsoring
16	and have atta	ched to my testimony schedule BIW-D2 Cash Working Capital Summary,
17	which has bee	en prepared as of the twelve months ending December 31, 2018.
18	I	II. SUMMARY OF THE COMPANY'S CASH WORKING
19		CAPITAL ANALYSIS
20	Q.	For what period was the lead-lag study performed?
21	A.	The lead-lag study analyzed the Company's cash transactions and
22	invoices for t	he twelve months ending December 31, 2018.

Q. Please define what you mean by the phrase "cash working capital."

A. Cash working capital ("CWC") is the amount of funds required to finance the day-to-day operations of the Company.

Q. What is a lead-lag study?

A. A lead-lag study is an analysis of revenue lags and expense leads. CWC requirements are generally determined by lead-lag studies that are used to analyze the lag time between the date customers receive service and the date that customers' payments are available to the Company (i.e., the revenue lag). This lag is offset by a lead time during which the Company receives goods and services, but pays for them at a later date (i.e., the expense lead). The "lead" and "lag" are both measured in days. The dollar-weighted lead and lag days are then divided by 365 to determine a daily CWC factor. This CWC factor is then multiplied by the annual test year cash expenses to determine the amount of cash working capital required for operations. The resulting amount of cash working capital is then included in the Company's rate base.

Q. Please explain the revenue lag in more detail.

A. As noted, the revenue lag refers to the elapsed time between the delivery of the Company's product (i.e., electricity) and its ability to use the funds received as payment for the delivery of the product. The revenue lag actually consists of three components as follows: the service lag, which is the number of days from the mid-point of the service period to the meter reading date; the billing lag, which is the time between when the meter is read and the bill is sent; and the collections lag, which is the time between when the bill is sent to the customer and when the customer's payment is received by the Company.

1	Q.	Please explain the expense lead in more detail.
2	A.	An expense lead refers to the elapsed time from when a good or service is
3	provided to th	e Company to the point in time when the Company pays for the good or service
4	and the fund	s are no longer available to the Company. There are a number of different
5	expense leads	, since the Company acquires goods and services from a number of different
6	sources.	
7	Q.	What sources of information are employed to determine the leads
8	and lags in a	CWC analysis for Ameren Missouri?
9	A.	Information from Ameren Services Company's Accounts Payable,
10	Customer Ser	vice, Human Resources, Payroll, Treasury Management, and Tax systems are
11	utilized. The	information derived from these sources, together with analyses of specific
12	invoices, is	used to determine the appropriate number of lead-lag days for Ameren
13	Missouri's el	ectric business.
14	Q.	How should the results of the CWC analysis be treated for
15	ratemaking]	purposes?
16	A.	The CWC requirements should be included as part of Ameren Missouri's
17	rate base for r	atemaking purposes.
18		III. REVENUE LAGS
19	Q.	Was one revenue lag applied to all of Ameren Missouri's revenues?
20	A.	No. The Company calculated a base revenue lag that was applied to all cash
21	operating rev	enues with the exception of pass-through taxes. A separate revenue lag was
22	calculated an	d applied to all revenues associated with pass-through taxes.

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1 2	1.	Base	e Revenue Lag
3		Q.	How was the base revenue lag determined?
4		A.	The base revenue lag measures the number of days from the date service
5	was 1	rendered	d by the Company until the date payment was received from customers and
6	such	funds w	vere deposited by the Company. In the calculation, the revenue lag was divided
7	into	three d	istinct components: 1) service lag; 2) billing lag; and 3) collections lag.
8	Cons	idered t	ogether, these three components of the base revenue lag totaled 38.80 lag days.
9	An ex	xplanati	on of each component of the base revenue lag follows.
10		Q.	What is meant by service lag?
11		A.	The service lag refers to the number of days from the mid-point of the
12	servi	ce perio	od to the meter reading date for that service period. Using the mid-point
13	meth	odology	, the average lag associated with the provisioning of service was 15.21 days
14	(365	days in	the year divided by 12 months divided by 2).
15		Q.	What is meant by billing lag?
16		A.	Billing lag refers to the average number of days from the date on which the
17	meter	r was re	ad until the customer was billed. The billing lag was determined by analyzing
18	the C	ompany	s's monthly billing schedules and meter reading records. The average billing lag
19	was c	letermin	ned to be 0.98 days.
20		Q.	What is meant by collections lag?
21		A.	The collections lag refers to the average amount of time from the date when
22	the c	ustomei	received a bill to the date that the Company received payment from its

customers. Based on weighted average data from the Company's Customer Service

payment behavior.

- 1 System, the average collection lag was determined to be 22.61 days. 2 Q. What data was used to calculate the collections lag? 3 A. The Company used data from the bill payment report which was created 4 to support the calculation of the collections lag. 5 O. Please describe the bill payment report used in the collections lag 6 calculation. 7 A. The Company developed a bill payment report to aggregate actual 8 customer payments. This allows us to better understand customer payment behavior. The 9 bill payment report compares the date a customer is billed to the date the bill was paid to 10 arrive at the lag days. The bill payment report summarizes the dollar amounts collected 11 per lag day. The lag days for each line item are capped at 150 days. Each line item is then 12 weighted to calculate the weighted lag days. The bill payment report was run monthly 13 for the period from January 2018 to December 2018. Has the Company used the bill payment report in past lead-lag 14 0. studies? 15 16 A. Yes. The Company introduced the bill payment report in its last electric rate case (File No. ER-2016-0179) to determine the impact of the actual customer 17
- 19 Q. How were uncollectible revenues treated in your analysis?
- A. The bill payment report aggregates actual customer payments. Therefore, an adjustment for uncollectible revenues is not needed in the analysis.

- 1 Q. Please summarize the calculation of base revenue lag days.
- 2 A. The calculation of the overall base revenue lag, by lag component, is
- 3 summarized in the following table. Please note that the revenue lag pertains to revenue lag
- 4 for items other than off-system sales, which I will address below.

Base Revenue Lag Component	Lag Days
Service	15.21
Billing	0.98
Collections	22.61
Total Revenue Lag	38.80

- 5 Q. You mentioned that the above figures do not include the revenue lag
- 6 for off-system sales. What is the overall revenue lag once off-system sales are
- 7 included?
- 8 A. Revenues from off-system sales were collected, on average, within 24.93
- 9 days. The proposed total retail revenues and off-system sales revenues were used to arrive
- at a weighted-average revenue lag for tariffed revenues and off-system sales. The resulting
- weighted revenue lag to be used in this filing was determined to be 37.33 days, as shown
- in the following table:

	Revenue Lag (days)	Revenues (\$)	Dollar Days (\$)
Service Lag	15.21		
Billing Lag	0.98		
Collections Lag	22.61		
Base Revenue (Retail)	38.80	\$ 2,621,240,072.00	\$ 101,705,871,335.00
Off-System Sales	24.93	\$ 311,518,748.00	\$ 7,765,132,566.54
Total Revenues	37.33	\$ 2,932,758,820.00	\$ 109,471,003,901.54

2. Pass-Through Taxes Revenue Lag

2 Q. How does the revenue lag applied to pass-through taxes differ from

the base revenue lag?

- 4 A. The only difference between the base revenue lag and the revenue lag which
- 5 is applied to the pass-through taxes is that the revenue lag applied to pass-through taxes
- 6 excludes the service lag. Therefore, the revenue lag applied to pass-through taxes is 23.59
- 7 days.

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8 Q. Why should a different revenue lag be applied to the pass-through tax

9 revenues?

10 A. In prior cases, the Commission Staff has argued that pass-through taxes are

not generated as a result of the provisioning of a service by the utility. ¹ Therefore, in these

proceedings a revenue lag which excludes a lag associated with the provisioning of utility

service has been applied to the pass-through tax revenues.

Such proceedings include File Nos. ER-2010-0036 (AmerenUE), ER-2008-0318 (AmerenUE), ER-2007-0291 (Kansas City Power & Light Company), ER-2008-0093 (The Empire District Electric Company), GR-2007-0208 (Laclede Electric Company), and GR-2006-0422 (Missouri Electric Energy).

Q. Are the revenues attributable to pass-through taxes collected in the same manner and at the same time as all other revenues? A. Yes. The Company's customers pay one bill. That bill (and thus the payment) includes both operating revenues associated with the provisioning of electric service as well as revenues associated with pass-through taxes.

Q. What impact does the exclusion of the service lag have on the CWC7 calculation?

A. The service lag represents the period of time during which the Company has provided a service for which it has not yet been compensated. Since the Company serves primarily as a collect and remit agent for the various taxing bodies, by excluding the service lag from the revenue lag applied to the pass-through taxes, the Company is reflecting that it has no out-of-pocket expense for which it is awaiting payment.

IV. EXPENSE LEADS

Q. What expense-related leads were considered in the lead-lag analysis?

A. Lead times associated with the following expense categories were considered in the lead-lag study: a) employee pensions and benefits; b) base payroll; c) payroll taxes (i.e. FICA social security) and other withholdings; d) cost of fuel – nuclear, coal, oil, and gas; e) purchased power; f) other operations and maintenance expenses; g) general taxes other than income taxes excluding pass-through taxes; h) pass-through taxes; i) federal income taxes; j) state income taxes; k) interest on long-term debt; l) decommissioning fees; and m) incentive compensation.

1	Q.	What types of leads associated with the Company's employee benefit				
2	programs w	ere considered in the analysis?				
3	A.	The estimated lead times associated with the following major categories of the				
4	Company's en	mployee benefit programs were considered: a) group life insurance; b) group				
5	health insura	nce including claims processing, claims payment, and administration costs; c)				
6	contributions	to the Company's pension fund; d) Other Post-Employment Benefits				
7	("OPEB") co	("OPEB") costs; and e) the Company's 401-K plan. Taken together, these programs had a				
8	dollar-weight	ed lead-time of 13.45 days.				
9	Q.	Provide an explanation of the leads associated with the Company's				
10	payroll expe	nses.				
11	A.	Payroll lead days were determined by calculating the nominal and				
12	weighted lead	I time by pay period and weighting the resulting lead days by the amounts				
13	paid out by th	e Company to cover its payroll obligations. The resulting total on a dollar-				
14	weighted bas	is was 10.31 days.				
15	Q.	Were any adjustments made to the Company's payroll lead days?				
16	A.	Yes. Beginning in November 2018, the Company changed the payroll				
17	date for man	agement co-workers. The pay periods (i.e., the time frames for which				
18	employees ar	e paid) are not changing, only the pay dates (i.e., the dates that employees				
19	are actually p	paid). Management pay dates shifted from the 15th and last day of each				
20	month to the	e 13 th and 28 th of each month. The change in the payroll date for				

management co-workers affected all of the payroll expense line items.

1	Q.	What was the impact of this change to the Company's payroll lead
2	days?	
3	A.	The Company's dollar weighted payroll lead days prior to the change
4	was 11.01 d	lays. The Company's daily weighted payroll lead days after the change
5	which is incl	luded in the study being presented is 10.31 for a reduction of 0.70 days.
6	Q.	Please explain the lead effects associated with payroll taxes.
7	A.	The Company has outsourced its payroll tax processing to a third-party
8	provider, Ce	ridian. The payroll taxes outsourced to Ceridian include: a) Federal and State
9	Withholding	Taxes; b) Federal and State Unemployment Taxes; c) FICA (Social Security)
10	Taxes and M	Medicare Taxes for both employee and employer; and d) City of St. Louis
11	Employee V	Vithholding Tax and St. Louis City Employer Expense. Ceridian pulls all
12	payroll taxes	s out of the Company's bank account on the same date as the employees are
13	paid. Theref	ore, the payroll taxes lead time is equal to the base payroll lead time of 9.53
14	days.	
15	Q.	What are other operations and maintenance expenses and what
16	lead times	were associated with such expenses?
17	A.	The Company engages in transactions with other vendors (not associated
18	with pension	as, benefits, payroll, fuel, or taxes) for a variety of purposes including facility
19	maintenance	, system maintenance, and customer service. Invoices from providers of such
20	services were	e analyzed in order to estimate a lead time associated with payment for services

related to other operations and maintenance activities. The analysis indicates that on

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Q. What is the expense lead time associated with the Company's

contribution to the nuclear decommissioning trust fund?

- A. The Company made quarterly contributions to the nuclear decommissioning trust fund during the twelve months ended December 31, 2018. Based on an examination of the contributions to the trust, a weighted average lead time of 70.63 days was
- 8 O. What is the lead time applicable to expenses associated with the

Company's nuclear fuel?

determined.

- A. The Company purchases and owns all of its current nuclear fuel. At the time the nuclear fuel is purchased it is included in construction work in progress ("CWIP") and accrues an Allowance for Funds Used During Contraction ("AFUDC"). The nuclear fuel stays in CWIP until it arrives at the reactor site. At that time, the nuclear fuel is in service and the AFUDC ceases. The nuclear fuel is then amortized to expense each month as it is burned. The average unburned nuclear fuel is included in the materials and supplies inventory in rate base. Therefore, the only lag is between the monthly burn charged to expense and when this expense is recovered in revenue. Thus, a service lag of 15.21 days is used for the expense lead.
- 18 Q. How did you determine the expense lead time associated with the 19 Company's purchase of coal and related services?
 - A. Invoices related to purchases of coal were examined to determine the expense lead time associated with the Company's coal purchases. When weighted by the dollar amounts shown in the invoices examined, a weighted average expense lead time of

1	17.41 days w	as determined.
2	Q.	What is the expense lead time associated with the Company's
3	purchase of	oil to support its electric operations?
4	A.	Based on an examination of invoices from the suppliers of oil to the
5	Company, a v	veighted average lead time of 12.74 days was determined.
6	Q.	What is the expense lead time associated with the Company's purchase
7	of natural ga	s to support its electric operations?
8	A.	Based on an examination of invoices from commodity and pipeline
9	suppliers to th	ne Company, a weighted average lead time of 38.92 days was determined.
10	Q.	What type of leads were associated with the Company's purchase of
11	electricity?	
12	A.	The Company makes purchases, as required from the Midcontinent
13	Independent S	System Operator, Inc. ("MISO") and under its contract with Pioneer Prairie
14	Wind Farm.	Based on an examination of the service periods and payment dates for the
15	Company's so	ource of purchased power, a weighted lead time of 24.93 days was determined.
16	Q.	What are the various general taxes considered in the analysis?
17	A.	The following general taxes were considered in the study: a) Real Estate
18	and Property	Taxes; b) Missouri Sales Tax; c) Missouri and Iowa Use Tax; d) Illinois Use
19	Tax; e) St. L	ouis Corporate Earnings Taxes; f) Federal Excise Heavy Use Tax; g) Self
20	Procured Insu	rance Tax; h) Ohio Commercial Activity Tax; i) Corporate Franchise Tax;

and j) Gross Receipts Taxes. When taxes were required to be paid to a single taxing

1	authority pur	suant to a set schedule, the statutory payment dates were considered in the
2	analysis.	
3	Q.	Explain the lead effects associated with each type of general taxes
4	considered i	n the analysis.
5	A.	The treatment of each category of general taxes in the study is described
6	below:	
7	1)	Real Estate and Property Taxes: All current-year property taxes in
8		Missouri are due on December 31st of the current year. Taking this
9		schedule into consideration, a dollar-weighted expense lead of 182.50
10		days was calculated.
11	2)	Missouri Sales Tax: Missouri sales tax is payable to the Missouri
12		Department of Revenue and is calculated as a percent of billings less
13		a 2 percent timely payment allowance. Estimated payments are made
14		weekly with the tax return and remaining balance due by the 20 th of
15		the month following except for the last month at the end of the quarter
16		for which the tax return and payment are due on the last day of the
17		month following. Taking this information into account, a weighted
18		expense lead time of 10.50 days was determined.
19	3)	Missouri and Iowa Use Tax: Missouri and Iowa use tax is payable to
20		the Missouri Department of Revenue and Iowa Department of
21		Revenue, respectively, on the last day of the month following the end

of the quarter. Taking this information into account, the expense lead

1		time associated with the Missouri and Iowa use taxes was determined
2		to be 76.14 days.
3	4)	<u>Illinois Use Tax</u> : Illinois use tax is payable to the Illinois Department
4		of Revenue on the 20th of the month following the end of the month.
5		Taking this information into account, the expense lead time
6		associated with the Illinois use taxes was determined to be 35.76
7		days.
8	5)	St. Louis Corporate Earnings Tax: The Company pays corporate
9		earnings taxes to the City of St. Louis. This tax is paid by check to
10		the City of St. Louis annually on April 1st for the previous year.
11		Taking this information into account, the expense lead time
12		associated with corporate earnings taxes was determined to be 273.50
13		days.
14	6)	Federal Heavy Use Tax: The federal heavy use tax is paid annually
15		to the federal government at the beginning of the tax period.
16		Additional payments are made as heavy vehicles are added. Taking
17		this information into account, the expense lead time associated with
18		the federal heavy use tax was determined to be -114.19 days.
19	7)	<u>Self Procured Insurance Tax</u> : The self procured insurance tax is paid
20		annually to the federal government in April of each year. Taking this
21		information into account, the expense lead time associated with self

procured insurance taxes was determined to be 273.50 days.

- 8) Ohio Commercial Activity Tax: The Ohio commercial activity tax is a quarterly tax paid to the Ohio Department of Revenue. This tax is paid when Ameren Missouri sells excess power to Ohio purchasers. This tax is paid whenever Ameren Missouri has quarterly tax that qualifies to be paid. Taking this information into account, the expense lead time associated with the Ohio commercial activity taxes was determined to be 83.00 days.
 - 9) Corporate Franchise Tax The corporate franchise tax is paid annually to the State of Illinois by June 1 of each year. Taking this information into account, the expense lead time associated with corporate franchise taxes was determined to be -181.50 days.

Q. What pass-through taxes are included in the CWC analysis?

A. The only pass-through tax considered in the CWC analysis was Gross Receipts Taxes.

Q. Please describe the timing of the payment of the Gross Receipt Taxes.

A. Gross receipts taxes are payable to municipalities and are paid as a percent of billings to customers within the municipality. These taxes are paid on the last day of the month following the end of a month with the exception of Arnold, Brentwood, Cape Girardeau, Chesterfield, Clayton, Dexter, Fenton, Florissant, Jefferson City, Jennings, Kirksville, Ladue, Maryland Heights, Moberly, St. Louis County, and Wentzville municipalities that are paid on the 20th day of the month. Based on the specific tax periods of the various municipalities, a dollar-weighted gross receipts tax expense lead time of

- 1 26.92 days was calculated.
- Q. Does the lead time for gross receipts taxes include a service lead?
- A. No. Since no service lag was included in the revenue lag assigned to pass-
- 4 through taxes, there has been no service lead attributed to the gross receipts taxes.
- 5 Q. Please explain.
- 6 A. Both the service lag and the service lead are associated with the timing of
- 7 the provisioning of service. If there is no service lag on the revenue side there can be no
- 8 service lead on the expense side. Therefore, for consistency purposes, I have excluded both
- 9 the service lag and service lead from the analysis of the pass-through taxes.
- 10 Q. How did your study address federal income taxes?
- 11 A. The lead time associated with federal income tax payments was based on
- the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code that require estimated tax payments of 25
- percent of total income taxes due on April 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15 of
- 14 the current year. Taking this schedule into consideration a lead time of 37.88 days for
- 15 federal income tax payments made by the Company was determined.
- 16 **Q.** How did the study address state income taxes?
- 17 A. State income taxes follow a pattern similar to federal taxes. Thus, assuming
- quarterly payments due on April 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15 of the
- 19 current year, an expense lead time of 37.88 days was determined.
- Q. Provide a description of how lead times associated with the
- 21 Company's interest expenses were addressed by the study.
- A. The Company's interest payments on its long-term bonds were made from

- 1 current revenues. Thus, there was a lead (or lag) between the date the interest payments
- 2 were collected from customers and the date when such amounts were paid to financial
- 3 institutions. The Company generally made interest payments on its fixed rate long-term
- 4 debt twice a year at varying times. On the auction rate bonds, the Company made interest
- 5 payments every 35 days. Using actual due dates on interest payments, a dollar-weighted
- 6 lead of 89.48 days for interest payments were determined.

7 Q. How did the study address contributions to the incentive

8 compensation plans?

- 9 A. The Company made an annual contribution to incentive compensation
- programs for both the executive incentive plan and the management/bargaining unit
- plans during the test year. The executive incentive plan contribution is made the last
- date in February while the management/bargaining unit contributions are made
- during the first pay period in March. Based on an examination of the contributions
- 14 to the incentive compensation plans, a weighted average lead time of 251.69 days
- 15 was determined.

16 Q. Please describe Schedule BIW-D2.

- 17 A. Schedule BIW-D2 summarizes the leads and lags discussed within my
- direct testimony that I used to develop the CWC factors. These CWC factors are used by
- 19 Company witness Laura Moore to calculate the Company's cash working capital
- 20 requirements.

Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?

A. Yes, it does.

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS BRENDA I. WEBER

I received my Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Bradley University in 1986. I earned my CPA certificate from the state of Illinois in 1989. I received my Master of Business Administration degree, with a concentration in finance in 1991, from Bradley University.

I have more than twenty-seven years of utility experience in various accounting, financial reporting, tax, forecasting, and finance roles. I joined Central Illinois Light Company ("CILCO") in 1991 as an Accounting Analyst, focusing primarily on United States Securities and Exchange Commission reporting. In 1993, I transferred into the tax department as a tax accountant and was promoted to Senior Tax Accountant in 1995. While in the tax group, I performed a wide range of tax accounting, tax compliance, and tax research duties. In 1997, I moved into the Treasury Department and was promoted to Senior Financial Analyst. I had responsibility for short-term debt projections, short-term and long-term financing, cash management, evaluation of strategic opportunities, communication with rating agencies, and management of non-regulated leveraged lease investments. In early 2003, Ameren completed its acquisition of CILCO. I joined Ameren Services in 2003 as a Finance Professional, focusing on disposition of non-utility leveraged lease investments. In 2004, I transferred to Financial Forecasting and was subsequently promoted to Supervisor of Corporate Model and later Manager of Corporate Model. While in the Financial Forecasting Department, I was responsible for developing financial models and earnings forecasts for Ameren and its subsidiaries. In August of 2014, I transitioned

to into the Treasury Department of Ameren Services as the Manager Corporate Finance.

In July of 2018, I was prompted to my current position in the Treasury Department of Ameren Services as Assistant Treasurer and Director Corporate Finance.

Ameren Missouri Electric Rate Case Cash Working Capital Requirement

Line					
No.	Description	Revenue Lag	Expense Lead	Net Lag	CWC Factor
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
1	Pensions & Benefits	37.33	(13.45)	23.87	0.0654
2	Payroll and Withholdings	37.33	(10.31)	27.02	0.0740
3	Payroll Taxes	37.33	(9.53)	27.80	0.0762
4	Other Operations and Maintenance Expenses	37.33	(37.15)	0.18	0.0005
5	Property/Real Estate Taxes	37.33	(182.50)	(145.17)	(0.3977)
6	Missouri Sales Tax	37.33	(10.50)	26.83	0.0735
7	Missouri and Iowa Use Tax	37.33	(76.14)	(38.81)	(0.1063)
8	Illinois Use Tax	37.33	(35.76)	1.57	0.0043
9	Gross Receipts Taxes	23.59	(26.92)	(3.33)	(0.0091)
10	Federal Income Tax	37.33	(37.88)	(0.55)	(0.0015)
11	State Income Tax	37.33	(37.88)	(0.55)	(0.0015)
12	St Louis Corporate Earnings Tax	37.33	(273.50)	(236.17)	(0.6470)
13	Fuel - Nuclear	37.33	(15.21)	22.12	0.0606
14	Fuel - Coal	37.33	(17.41)	19.92	0.0546
15	Fuel - Oil	37.33	(12.74)	24.59	0.0674
16	Fuel - Gas	37.33	(38.92)	(1.60)	(0.0044)
17	Interest Expense	37.33	(89.48)	(52.15)	(0.1429)
18	Uncollectible Expense	37.33	(37.33)	-	-
19	Purchased Power	37.33	(24.93)	12.40	0.0340
20	Decommissioning Fees	37.33	(70.63)	(33.30)	(0.0912)
21	Incentive Compensation	37.33	(251.69)	(214.36)	(0.5873)
22	Fed Excise Heavy Use Tax	37.33	114.19	151.52	0.4151
23	Self Procured Insurance Tax	37.33	(273.50)	(236.17)	(0.6470)
24	Ohio Commercial Activity Tax	37.33	(83.00)	(45.67)	(0.1251)
25	Corporate Franchise Tax	37.33	181.50	218.83	0.5995

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariffs to Decrease Its Revenues for Electric Service.) File No. ER-2019-0335
AFFIDAVIT OF BRENDA I. WEBER
STATE OF MISSOURI)) ss CITY OF ST. LOUIS)
Brenda I. Weber, being first duly sworn on his oath, states:
1. My name is Brenda I. Weber. I work in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, and I am
employed by Ameren Services Company as Assistant Treasurer & Director of Corporate Finance.
2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my Direct Testimony on
behalf of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri consisting of 18 pages and
Schedule(s) BIW-D1 to BIW-D2 , all of which have been prepared in written
form for introduction into evidence in the above-referenced docket.
3. I hereby swear and affirm that my answers contained in the attached testimony to
the questions therein propounded are true and correct.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of June, 2019. We a. Best
Notary Public
My commission expires:

GERI A. BEST

Notary Public - Notary Seal

State of Missouri

Commissioned for St. Louis County
My Commission Expires: February 15, 2022

Commission Number: 14839811