

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

Peter B. Howard,	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
v.	)	<b><u>Case No. EC-2008-0329</u></b>
	)	
Union Electric Company d/b/a	)	
AmerenUE,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

**ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO INVESTIGATE AND FILE A REPORT**

Issue Date: April 16, 2008

Effective Date: April 16, 2008

Peter B. Howard filed a formal complaint against Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (“AmerenUE”) on April 9, 2008. On April 16, 2008, the Commission notified AmerenUE of the complaint and allowed it thirty days in which to answer as provided by 4 CSR 240-2.070(7).

The Commission would like to have the benefit of an investigation and report by its Staff before it further considers this matter.<sup>1</sup> Given the circumstances described in the complaint, Staff should be able to complete its investigation and prepare a report concerning the results of that investigation no later than two weeks after AmerenUE files its answer, which is due no later than May 16, 2008.

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<sup>1</sup> AmerenUE’s answer period has just begun. However, 4 CSR 240-2.070(10) states that “[t]he commission may order, at any time after the filing of a complaint, an investigation by its staff as to the cause of the complaint.”

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall promptly commence an investigation of Peter B. Howard's formal complaint against Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE.

2. The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file a report concerning the results of its investigation no later than two weeks after Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE files its answer to the complaint.

3. This order shall become effective on April 16, 2008.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Benjamin H. Lane, Regulatory Law  
Judge, by delegation of authority  
under Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 16th day of April, 2008.