BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Jimmie E. Small,	Complainant,)))	
V.)	File No. EC-2012-0050
Ameren Missouri,)	
	Respondent.)	

ORDER AND NOTICE

Issue Date: August 22, 2011 Effective Date: August 22, 2011

On August 22, 2011, the Commission received an envelope purportedly from the Complainant. Although the envelope fails to contain a cover letter or pleading explaining the reason the envelope was sent, the contents of the envelope contain what appear to be answers to data requests. Further, the contents contained no mention of an open Commission file; instead, the envelope itself mentioned File No. EC-2011-0247.

As the Commission already ordered on August 16, 2011, File No. EC-2011-0247 is <u>closed</u> due to the Commission dismissing Complainant's complaint for failure to abide by Commission orders. File No. EC-2012-0050 is the file open for the above-referenced complaint. Further correspondence shall include File No. EC-2012-0050, <u>not</u> File No. EC-2011-0247.

Further, answers to data requests shall <u>not</u> be filed with or sent to the Commission unless otherwise ordered. Data requests and responses thereto are to be exchanged only between the parties.

The contents of the envelope appear to be an ex parte communication regarding a pending case, as defined by Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-4.020. This notice is given pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-4.020(3), (4). That rule also imposes a duty upon the person initiating an ex parte communication to give notice in the case file within three business days following such communication. Failure to abide by this, or any other Commission rule, can result in dismissal of the complaint.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The parties shall adhere to the instructions listed in this notice.
- 2. This order is effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed Secretary

(SEAL)

Ronald D. Pridgin, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 22nd day of August, 2011.