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Missouri Public Service Commission





Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
P. O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Re: MPSC Case No. EO-2000-580

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, please find an original and eight (8) copies of its **Unopposed Request for an Extension of Time to Provide Rebuttal Testimony and Request for Expedited Treatment** in the above matter.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this filing by stamping a copy of the enclosed letter and returning it to me in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

Very truly yours,

James J. Cook

Managing Associate General Counsel

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cc: Mr. Lewis Mills

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UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY'S UNOPPOSED REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO PROVIDE REBUTTAL TESTIMONY AND REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT

Union Electric Company ("UE") respectfully submits this request to extend the time for rebuttal testimony as set out in the procedural schedule in this matter, currently due September 14, 2000, by four days to September 18, 2000. The Staff, the Office of Public Counsel and the attorney for the MEG Interruptibles have advised UE that they have no objections to this extension.

UE submitted various data requests to the MEG Interruptibles. Due to a miscalculation of the due date for those data requests, the MEG Interruptibles did not provide those responses until today. (It is assumed that those responses will all be received by the end of the day.)

Although this miscalculation has only meant a three-day delay in their receipt, it is not possible to fully rebut the direct testimony without receiving and reviewing those responses.

No other changes in the procedural schedule are requested.

Because of the short period of time between the filing of this request and the current due date for rebuttal testimony, UE respectfully requests that this modification of the procedural schedule be given expedited treatment.



WHEREFORE, for these reasons, Union Electric respectfully requests that the Commission extend the time for parties to file rebuttal testimony in this matter to the close of business on September 18, 2000; and that an order to that effect be issued as soon as possible.

Dated: September 11, 2000

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served via fax and regular mail on this 11th day of September, 2000, on the following parties of record:

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