

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

In the Matter of the True-Up of Union Electric)
Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri’s Fuel)
Adjustment Clause for the 24th Recovery)
Period)

Case No. ER-2018-0256

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TRUE-UP FILING FOR AMEREN
MISSOURI’S FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE FOR THE 24th RECOVERY PERIOD**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its *Recommendation* in this matter hereby states:

1. Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri”) filed an application for its 24th Fuel Adjustment Clause True-Up filing on March 23, 2018. Ameren Missouri’s application would result in an adjustment to the amount collected through its fuel adjustment clause (“FAC”) due to an under-recovery which is further explained in paragraph 3 below. Recovery Period 24 (“RP24”) includes the billing months of June 2017 through January 2018 and followed Accumulation Period 24 that included the period of October 1, 2016, through January 31, 2017. The Commission ordered Staff to conduct a review and file its recommendation no later than April 23, 2018.

2. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-20.090(5)(D) provides that following receipt of Staff’s recommendation, the Commission should either approve, reject or suspend the filing within 60 days or the tariff and FAC rate adjustments will take effect. Rule 4 CSR 240-3.161(8) sets forth the filing requirements for an electric utility filing a true-up related to a rate adjustment mechanism such as an FAC

and 4 CSR 240-20.090(5) sets forth the requirements for submission of true-ups to remedy either over- or under-collection through rate adjustments or refunds.

3. Staff reviewed and analyzed the direct testimony and supporting schedules of Ameren Missouri witness Marci L. Althoff. As a result of its review, Staff recommends that the Commission approve Ameren Missouri's RP24 true-up filing for the billing months of June 2017 through January 2018 during which the Company over-recovered \$122,059 from its customers for RP24 due to the difference between actual and estimated kWh sales. After applying the interest to be recovered from customers for Accumulation Period 24 of \$513,255, there was a total under-recovery by Ameren Missouri of \$391,197 for RP24.

4. *Staff's Memorandum*, including its recommendation, is attached to this pleading as Appendix A and contains a more detailed explanation of Staff's analyses of the Company's submitted testimony, work papers, monthly reports, and interest calculations.

5. Staff has verified that Ameren Missouri has timely filed its 2017 annual report, is not delinquent on any assessment, and is current on its Surveillance Monitoring reports.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends that the Commission approve Ameren Missouri's Recovery Period 24 True-Up Filing, and grant such other and further relief as the Commission considers just in the circumstances.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 23rd day of April, 2018, to all parties of record.

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