BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of the application of Union Electric)	
Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri, for a certificate)	
of convenience and necessity authorizing it to)	
construct, install, own, operate, control, manage)	File No
and maintain a natural gas distribution system to)	
provide natural gas service in Boone County,)	
Missouri.)	

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri, ("Ameren Missouri" or "Applicant"), by and through its counsel, and, as its Application pursuant to §393.170, RSMo (2000), 4 CSR 240-2.060 and 4 CSR 240-3.205, for a certificate of convenience and necessity ("CCN") for a natural gas service area, respectfully states as follows:

- 1. Ameren Missouri is a corporation in good standing, duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Missouri, with its principal office and place of business at One Ameren Plaza, 1901 Chouteau Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63103. There is already on file with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") a certified copy of the Applicant's Certificate of Corporate Good Standing (*see* Case No. EO-2012-0085), and the Applicant's Fictitious Name Registration as filed with the Missouri Secretary of State's office (*see* Case No. EN-2011-0069), and said documents are incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes.
- 2. The Applicant is engaged in providing electric and gas utility services in portions of Missouri as a public utility under the jurisdiction of this Commission. Other than cases that have been docketed at the Commission, Ameren Missouri has no pending actions or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal court or agency within the past three (3) years which involve customer service or rates. Company does, however, have a

number of cases pending before the Commission and various appellate courts of the State of Missouri. A list of those cases is attached to this application as **Appendix A** and is incorporated herein by reference. The Applicant has no annual reports or assessment fees that are overdue.

3. All correspondence, communications, notices, orders and decisions of the Commission with respect to this matter should be sent to the undersigned counsel

SUMMARY

4. Ameren Missouri proposes to construct, install, own, operate, control, manage and maintain a natural gas distribution system to provide natural gas service in Boone County, Missouri, between Columbia and Ashland, as an expansion of its existing territory.

AREA TO BE CERTIFICATED

5. A legal description of the area to be certificated is attached hereto as **Appendix B**. A map depicting the proposed area of the certificate is attached to this Application as **Appendix C**.

PROJECT INFORMATION

- 6. Ameren Missouri seeks to strengthen the reliability of the service provided to its natural gas customers in Ashland, Missouri. Ashland is currently served by a four inch steel line from Jefferson City. During cold weather periods, this existing gas line approaches its maximum capacity. At the current rate of gas load growth in Ashland, this line will not provide the necessary gas pressure to maintain reliable service to Ameren Missouri's customers at some point in the future.
- 7. The proposed project includes the installation of a ten inch steel natural gas feeder line extending from Columbia, Missouri, to just north of Ashland. The decision to install the

new gas main from Columbia, instead of from Jefferson City, was made based on an analysis of estimated costs. Also, Ameren Missouri expects there will be interest in having natural gas service from residents and businesses along the extension route that have not previously had natural gas service available.

- 8. Attached hereto and marked as **Appendix D** is a feasibility study containing a description of the plans and specifications for the project, to include the estimated cost of construction and expenses during the first three years of operations. Ameren Missouri proposes to serve new customers using the rates, general terms and conditions of service found in Ameren Missouri's currently approved tariffs.
- 9. Ameren Missouri intends to finance this project though existing funds and indebtedness.
- 10. Construction methods will follow Ameren Missouri's customary standards and the rules of the Commission.
- 11. Attached hereto and marked as **Appendix E** is a list of ten persons who reside, or own land, within the proposed service area.
- 12. Ameren Missouri will not require any additional franchises or permits from municipalities, counties, or other authorities in connection with the proposed construction for this filing other than the usual and customary state highway, railroad and county road permits, which will be obtained prior to construction. A certified copy of the franchises for the City of Ashland, Missouri and the City of Columbia, Missouri are attached as **Appendix F** and **Appendix G**.
- 13. The construction of the proposed facility is necessary to strengthen reliability of service provided to customers in and around Ashland, Missouri. Further, the area in which Ameren Missouri is seeking to be certificated hereby already contains some development.

Service from a natural gas supplier is not available in this area at the present time. Ameren Missouri has the ability to provide service in this area by construction of the new facilities and Ameren Missouri believes that potential new customers should be afforded the opportunity to take service from Ameren Missouri if they so desire. These facts support a finding that a grant of this application is required by the public convenience and necessity.

WHEREFORE, Ameren Missouri requests an order from the Commission granting it a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct, install, own, operate, control, manage, and maintain a natural gas distribution system for the provision of natural gas service to the public, in the area described above in Boone County, Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic mail to the following counsel this 30^{th} day of September, 2011:

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State of Missour:)) ss County of St. Lowr)			
County of St. Louis)			
I, but having been duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am the of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri, that I am duly authorized to make this affidavit on behalf of the Company, and that the matters and things stated in the foregoing Application and appendices thereto are true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge and belief.			
David M. Wakeman			
Subscribed and sworn before me this 23 day of September, 2011.			
BECKIE J. EAVES Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for St. Louis City My Commission Expires: February 21, 2014 Commission Number: 10938572			

APPENDICES

Appendix A List of Cases

Appendix B Legal Description

Appendix C Map

Appendix D Feasibility Study

Appendix E List of Ten Persons

Appendix F Ashland Franchise

Appendix G Columbia Franchise

APPENDIX A

PENDING CASES – AMEREN MISSOURI

Pending Ameren Electric	Pending Ameren Gas	Appellate Cases	
Cases	Cases		
AW-2011-0252	GR-2008-0366	SD30865 currently pending	
AX-2011-0094	GR-2009-0337	in Missouri Court Appeals, SD	
EC-2011-0326	GR-2010-0180		
EC-2011-0420	GT-2011-0410	10AC-CC00474 currently	
EC-2012-0050	GW-2010-0120	pending Circuit Court Cole	
EO-2006-0098		County	
EO-2008-0216			
EO-2011-0128		WD74172 currently pending	
EO-2011-0271		Missouri Court Appeals, WD	
EO-2011-0275			
EO-2011-0391		11AC-CC00336 currently	
EO-2012-0051		pending Circuit Court Cole	
EO-2012-0070		County	
ER-2010-0355			
ER-2011-0317		11AC-CC00236 currently	
ER-2012-0024		pending Circuit Court Cole	
ER-2012-0028		County	
ER-2012-0029			
ET-2012-0011		11AC-CC00278 currently	
ET-2012-0016		pending Circuit Court Cole	
EW-2009-0290		County	
EW-2009-0291			
EW-2009-0292		10AC-CC00536 currently	
EW-2010-0187		pending Circuit Court Cole	
EW-2010-0136		County	
EW-2011-0139			
EO-2012-0085			

APPENDIX B

Boone County – Proposed Certificate Area Legal Boundary Description

ALL OF SECTIONS 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, 35 AND 36, IN TOWNSHIP 47 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, AND ALL OF SECTIONS 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 AND 16, IN TOWNSHIP 46 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, THE BOUNDARY OF WHICH BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 47 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST; THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SECTIONS 12, 13, 24, 25 AND 36 OF SAID TOWNSHIP 47 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 36, SAID POINT ALSO BEING THE NORTHEST CORNER OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 46 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SECTIONS 1, 12 AND 13, TOWNSHIP 46 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 13; THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SECTIONS 13, 14, 15 AND 16, TOWNSHIP 46 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 16; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTIONS 16, 9 AND 4, TOWNSHIP 46 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 4, SAID POINT ALSO BEING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 47 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST; THENCE CONTINUING NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTIONS 33, 28, 21 AND 16, TOWNSHIP 47 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 16, SAID POINT ALSO BEING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 47 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST; THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 8, TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 8; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 8, TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 8; THENCE EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SECTIONS 8, 9, 10, 11 AND 12, TOWNSHIP 47 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST, TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 12 AND POINT OF BEGINNING.

APPENDIX E

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