## STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2015.

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Infrastructure System	)	File No. GO-2015-0274
	)	
Replacement Surcharge (ISRS) Reconciliation	)	Tariff No. JG-2015-0298

## ORDER APPROVING INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEM REPLACEMENT SURCHARGE RECONCILIATION

Issue Date: July 1, 2015 Effective Date: July 10, 2015

On April 10, 2015, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri") filed a tariff with the Missouri Public Service Commission pursuant to Section 393.1015.5(2), RSMo Supp. 2013 and Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.265(17) revising its rates for natural gas service by reflecting the results of its annual reconciliation of Ameren Missouri's Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge ("ISRS"). The Commission has suspended that tariff until August 8, 2015. Ameren Missouri's reconciliation filing stated that Ameren Missouri under-collected \$67,507 during the period of October 2013 to October 2014.

The Commission's Staff filed its recommendation regarding Ameren Missouri's ISRS reconciliation on June 1, 2015. Staff reports it has examined the supporting documentation that the company submitted along with its revised tariff. Staff recalculated the amount Ameren Missouri should be allowed to recover through its ISRS from October 18, 2013 through April 30, 2015 and concluded that Ameren Missouri has under-collected ISRS revenues in the amount of \$51,967. Staff recommends that Ameren Missouri be permitted

to adjust its tariff to reflect an ongoing level of ISRS revenues of \$1,318,513, which consists of the originally authorized ISRS revenues of \$1,266,546 adjusted to account for the under-collection of revenues determined as a result of the reconciliation. Staff's proposed adjusted ISRS rates are contained in Appendix B to the Staff recommendation.

Ameren Missouri responded to Staff's recommendation on June 5, 2015, indicating that it agrees with Staff's recalculation and does not object to the rates recommended by Staff. No other party responded to Staff's recommendation regarding the tariff, and no party requested a hearing. No hearing is required before approving the application, so this action is not a contested case. Since this is a non-contested case, the Commission acts on evidence that is not formally adduced and preserved. There is no evidentiary record. Consequently, the Commission bases its decision on the parties' verified filings.

Based on the Commission's impartial and independent review of Ameren Missouri's application and Staff's recommendations, the Commission finds that Ameren Missouri's application for a revised tariff complies with Sections 393.1009 to 393.1015, RSMo. The Commission concludes that Staff's recommended adjusted incremental ISRS revenues for Ameren Missouri in the amount of annual pre-tax revenues of \$51,967 should be approved. Since the revenues and rates authorized in this order differ from those contained in the tariff the company first submitted, the Commission will reject that tariff. The Commission will allow Ameren Missouri an opportunity to submit a new tariff consistent with this order.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 393.1015.2(3), RSMo Supp. 2012. See, State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Ent., Inc. v. Public Service Commission, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App., W.D. 1989).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> State ex rel. Public Counsel v. Public Service Comm'n, 210 S.W.3d 344, 353-355 (Mo. App. 2006).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Id.* The competent and substantial evidence standard of Article V, Section 18, does not apply to administrative cases in which a hearing is not required by law." *Id.* 

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- Staff's recommended adjusted incremental ISRS revenues for Union Electric
   Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri in the amount of annual pre-tax revenues of \$51,967 is approved.
- 2. The tariff sheet filed by Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri on April 10, 2015, and assigned Tariff Tracking No. JG-2015-0298, is rejected:

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- 3. Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri is authorized to file a new tariff which generates \$1,318,513 of ISRS revenue annually for each customer class as reflected in Appendix B of the Staff recommendation.
  - 4. This order shall become effective on July 10, 2015.

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BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

R. Kenney, Chm., Stoll, W. Kenney, Hall, and Rupp, CC., concur.

Bushmann, Senior Regulatory Law Judge