

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held by telephone and internet audio conference on the 7th day of October, 2020.

In the Matter of the Request of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri to Implement the Delivery Charge Adjustment for the 1st Accumulation Period beginning September 1, 2019 and ending August 31, 2020))
)	<u>File No. GT-2021-0055</u>
)	Tariff No. YG-2021-0055
))

ORDER APPROVING GAS DELIVERY CHARGE ADJUSTMENT TARIFF

Issue Date: October 7, 2020

Effective Date: November 1, 2020

At the conclusion of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's last general rate case, File No. GR-2019-0077, tariff sheets including a Gas Delivery Charge Adjustment (DCA) Rider became effective. On September 1, 2020, Ameren Missouri filed a new tariff sheet, Tracking No. YG-2021-0055, containing the first adjustment under this rider. The tariff sheet bears an effective date of November 1, 2020.

This Commission issued notice of the filing, set a time for intervention requests and responses, and directed the Commission Staff to file a recommendation. No responses or requests to intervene were received. Staff filed its recommendation to approve the tariff sheet on September 22, 2020.

Staff reviewed the workpapers and additional supporting documents provided by Ameren Missouri. Staff explained that while the annual quantity of sales¹ for each rate schedule (the rate case usage or "RCU") and the annual quantity of sales for each rate schedule subject to the DCA (the rate case block usage or "RCBU") were stipulated at

¹ The quantity of sales for the calculation is expressed in ccf (100 cubic feet).

the conclusion of the rate case, the monthly volumes were not included in the stipulation. The volumes by revenue month are necessary for calculation of the Reconciliation Adjustment Interest. Staff stated that the monthly volumes used by Ameren Missouri as the allocation of the RCBU to each revenue month in this calculation are not unreasonable and should be the basis of future adjustments under the DCA until superseded by a future general rate case. Staff also recommends that Ameren Missouri include the prior DCA rates, with effective dates indicated, when submitting subsequent annual revisions.

The rates included on the submitted tariff sheet constituting the DCA for the 1st Accumulation Period beginning September 1, 2019 and ending August 31, 2020, are charges of \$0.0158/ccf for customers served on the Residential Rate Schedule, and \$0.0036/ccf for customers served on the General Service Rate Schedule. With these adjustments, a residential customer using 100 ccf of natural gas each month will experience an increase of \$1.58 in their monthly bill for service.

The Commission has reviewed the unopposed tariff sheet and Staff's recommendations and finds them reasonable. The Commission approves the tariff sheet to become effective on November 1, 2020. Additionally, the Commission directs that the monthly volumes used by Ameren Missouri as the allocation of the RCBU to each revenue month continue to be the basis of future adjustments under the DCA until superseded by a future general rate case. The Commission also directs Ameren Missouri to include the prior DCA rates, with effective dates indicated, when promulgating subsequent annual revisions to Sheet 31.2. So that the tariff sheet may become effective on November 1, 2020, as requested, the Commission will make this order effective in less than 30 days.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The tariff sheet filed on September 1, 2020, in Tracking No. YG-2021-0055, is approved effective November 1, 2020.
2. The monthly volumes used by Ameren Missouri as the allocation of the RCBU to each revenue month shall continue to be the basis of future adjustments under the DCA until superseded by a future general rate case.
3. Ameren Missouri shall include the prior DCA rates, with effective dates indicated, when promulgating subsequent annual revisions to Sheet 31.2.
4. This order shall be effective on November 1, 2020.
5. This case shall close on November 2, 2020.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Kenney, Rupp, Coleman, and
Holsman CC., concur.

Dippell, Senior Regulatory Law Judge