

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Application of Union Electric Company d/b/a)
AmerenUE for an Order Authorizing Applicant)
(if and to the Extent the Transaction Described)
Herein Would Constitute the Issuance of an Evidence)
of Indebtedness by Applicant under Sections)
393.180 and 393.200, RSMo) to Execute, Deliver and) **Case No. EF-2006-0278**
Perform the Agreements and Instruments Necessary)
to Assume a Lease and Related Documents Pertaining)
to the NRG Audrain Combustion Turbine Generator)
Facility Owned by Audrain County, Missouri, Which)
Was Constructed as Part of a Revenue Bond Project)
under Chapter 100, RSMo)

ORDER ESTABLISHING INTERVENTION PERIOD,
SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: December 30, 2005

Effective Date: December 30, 2005

This order grants Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE's request for the Commission to set an intervention period, set a prehearing conference, and order a Staff Recommendation.

On December 27, 2005, Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE asked for permission to assume a lease that NRG Audrain Generating LLC holds in Audrain County's NRG Audrain Facility. Within that application, AmerenUE asked that the Commission give public notice of the application and to set an intervention deadline of 15 days after AmerenUE filed its application. Also, AmerenUE asked that the Commission hold a prehearing conference within 10 days of the end of the intervention period and to order

Staff to file its Recommendation no later than February 17. AmerenUE asserted that Staff has agreed to file its Recommendation no later than February 17.

The Commission finds that it should give notice of this application to the general public and to interested parties. The Commission further finds that it should allow interested parties until January 13 to request intervention.

Accordingly, the Commission's Data Center shall mail a copy of this notice to all of the county commissions that represent counties within AmerenUE's service territory. The Commission's Data Center shall also mail a copy of this notice to all of the parties in AmerenUE's last rate case, which was Case No. GR-2003-0517. Further, the Commission's Public Information Office shall provide notice to the media and to the members of the General Assembly serving the counties within AmerenUE's service territory.

The Commission will also order a prehearing conference and a Staff Recommendation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Missouri Public Service Commission's Data Center shall serve notice as set forth in this order.
2. That the Missouri Public Service Commission's Public Information Officer shall provide notice as set forth in this order.
3. That any person wishing to intervene in this matter shall file an application no later than January 13, 2006. Such applications shall be filed with:

Colleen M. Dale, Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
Post Office Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

with copies served upon:

James B. Lowery, Esq.
Smith Lewis, LLP
111 South Ninth Street
Suite 200, City Centre Building
Post Office Box 918
Columbia, Missouri 65205

and:

Office of the Public Counsel
Post Office Box 2230
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

4. That a prehearing conference will be held on January 19, 2006, beginning at 10:00 a.m., in Room 305 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. This meeting will be held in a building that meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

5. That any party wishing to appear by telephone shall notify the Regulatory Law Judge by calling 573-751-7497 no later than 5:00 p.m., January 18, 2006.

6. That the Staff of the Commission shall file a Recommendation no later than February 17, 2006.

7. That this order shall become effective on December 30, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Ronald D. Pridgin, Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 30th day of December, 2005.