

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

Noranda Aluminum, Inc., et al,	)	
	)	
Complainants,	)	
	)	
v.	)	<b><u>File No. EC-2014-0224</u></b>
	)	
Union Electric Company, d/b/a	)	
Ameren Missouri	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

**ORDER EXTENDING TIME TO FILE BRIEFS**

Issue Date: July 2, 2014

Effective Date: July 2, 2014

The procedural schedule for this case requires the parties to file initial briefs on July 3, with reply briefs following on July 14. On July 1, the Commission’s Staff filed a motion asking that the dates to file initial briefs be extended until July 8, with reply briefs following on July 17. Staff’s motion represented that all parties agreed to extend the filing date for the initial briefs, but disagreed about extending the filing date for the reply briefs. Subsequently, the Complainants filed a response explaining that they could not agree to any filing extension for the reply briefs that would delay the Commission’s decision. Ameren Missouri filed its own response opposing extending the filing date for the initial briefs unless the filing date for the reply briefs is also extended. United for Missouri also responded, asking that the date for it to file an amicus brief be extended to match the filing date of initial briefs by the parties.

The Commission wants to allow the parties sufficient time to prepare and file high-quality briefs. Good briefs from the parties greatly ease the Commission’s burden of

crafting a decision. The Commission will allow the parties additional time to file their initial briefs. But extending the filing date for initial briefs without also extending the filing date for reply briefs would impair the parties' ability to prepare top quality reply briefs, to the detriment of the Commission. Therefore, the Commission will extend the filing date for reply briefs from Monday, July 14, to Wednesday, July 16. That will still allow the Commission sufficient time to consider the matter at its July 23 agenda and should not delay resolution of the case.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The briefing schedule is modified so that the parties shall file initial briefs on July 8, 2014, with reply briefs following on July 16, 2014. United For Missouri, Inc. may file its *amicus curiae* brief on July 8, 2014.
2. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



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

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law  
Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2014.