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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
Governor Office Building
200 Madison Street, Suite 100
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Missouri Public Service Commission



Re:

In the Matter of the Tariff Filing of Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE to Incorporate into the Company's Tariff a Revised Procedure for the Development of Estimated Customer Natural Gas Usage and Clarify and Update the Tariff Provisions Describing the Company's Current Process

for Estimating Customer Gas Usage

MPSC Case No. GT-2002-70

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of AmerenUE in the above matter are an original and eight (8) copies of the Direct Testimony of Richard J. Kovach.

Please kindly acknowledge receipt of this filing by stamping as filed a copy of this letter and returning it to the undersigned in the enclosed, self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Byrne

Associate General Counsel

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