

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

Craig Mershon,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>Case No. EC-2013-0521</u>
)	
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

MOTION TO SET PREHEARING CONFERENCE

COMES NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"), by and through the undersigned counsel, and for its *Motion to Set Prehearing Conference* ("Motion") respectfully states as follows:

1. On August 23, 2013, the Commission issued an *Order to File Joint Proposed Procedural Schedule* ("Order") in this case. The Order ordered Staff to file a joint proposed procedural schedule for this case no later than September 6, 2013; however, the Order made no provision for a prehearing conference at which the parties might confer to arrive at a joint proposed schedule.

2. Based on past experience, Staff believes that a prehearing conference would be beneficial in this matter and would hopefully facilitate arrival at a joint proposal. The prehearing conference could be held by telephone, since some of the parties to this case are located in St. Louis and others are located in Jefferson City or

Columbia. Staff also believes that the prehearing conference should be held on-the-record (at least the opening of the prehearing conference should be on-the-record).¹

3. If the prehearing conference was held during the morning of September 5, 2013, (*i.e.*, 10:00 a.m.) it *might* still be possible for Staff to file a joint proposed procedural schedule for this case on September 6, 2013, depending on the progress made at the prehearing conference. If, after the prehearing conference, it appears that additional time will be necessary to file a joint proposed procedural schedule, Staff will so advise the Commission and include a date by which it believes a schedule can be filed.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order setting an on-the-record telephonic prehearing conference for September 5, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. in one of the Commission's hearing rooms, and making such further orders as the Commission deems appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ If the Commission is opposed to holding the prehearing conference on-the-record, it could be held off-the-record; however, Staff believes an on-the-record prehearing conference would be more beneficial.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to all parties of record this 27th day of August, 2013.

/s/ Jeffrey A. Keevil