

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

Noranda Aluminum, Inc., et al.,	)	
Complainants,	)	
v.	)	Case No. EC-2014-0223
Union Electric Company d/b/a	)	
Ameren Missouri,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

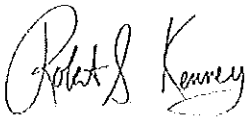
Noranda Aluminum, Inc., et al.,	)	
Complainants,	)	
v.	)	Case No. EC-2014-0224
Union Electric Company d/b/a	)	
Ameren Missouri,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

**NOTICE OF COMMUNICATION**

Issue Date: July 18, 2014

Chairman Robert S. Kenney hereby files the attached letter from Larry Weintraub, Executive Director of Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) of Metropolitan St. Louis, regarding the above captioned cases.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robert S. Kenney  
Chairman

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri  
On this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014



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Dear Honorable Chairman and Commissioners:

The Building Owners and Managers Association of St. Louis is reaching out to you to voice our vehement opposition to Noranda Aluminum's rate-shift proposal submitted to you in February.

As an employer of approximately 5,320 jobs in St. Louis and an annual contributor of more than \$642 million to Missouri's gross state revenue, BOMA St. Louis feels that this proposal would be a grave injustice to the commercial and residential community of Missouri.

In addition, our membership represents over 30 million square feet of commercial office buildings in the St. Louis area. According to the Experience Exchange Report that documents reported electrical usage on a square foot basis, our members pay a minimum of \$44 million in electric costs annually.

With this proposal, Noranda has requested that their company's electric rates be reduced by 25 percent for the next 10 years. If approved, an estimated \$90 million of Noranda's costs would be shifted to all other Ameren Missouri customers.

Noranda currently pays the lowest electric rate in Missouri, a rate about 60 percent below what the average Ameren Missouri residential customer pays for their electricity. Over the last eight years, residential electric rates have gone up 3.5 times faster than Noranda's rates.

Noranda's rationale for this rate shift request is economic distress. Other Missouri companies are unable to pursue similar avenues for economic relief, and if Noranda is successful in this effort, the result will be higher electric rates for thousands of Missouri businesses and millions of residents.

Thank you for your time and attention to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

Larry Weintraub  
Executive Director  
BOMA St. Louis



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