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OF

JOHN M. BOCZKIEWICZ

UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY

CASE NO. EM-96-149

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3		JOHN M. BOCZKIEWICZ	
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5		CASE NO. EM-96-149	
6	Q.	Please state your name and business address.	
7	A.	John M. Boczkiewicz, 815 Charter Commons, Suite 100B, Chesterfield,	
8	Mo. 63017.		
9	Q.	By whom are you employed and in what capacity?	
10	A.	I am a Regulatory Auditor for the Missouri Public Service Commission	
11	(Commission).		
12	Q.	Please describe your educational and employment background.	
13	A.	I graduated from Northeast Missouri State University in December 1991	
14	with a Bachelors degree in Accounting. In May 1992, I passed the Uniform Certified		
15	Public Accountant (CPA) Examination and upon completion of the two-year experience		
16	requirement	became licensed as a CPA in the state of Missouri. I commenced	
17	employment with the Commission Staff (Staff) in June 1992.		
18	Q.	What has been the nature of your duties while in the employ of the	
19	Commission?		
20	A.	I am responsible for assisting in the audits and examinations of the books	
21	and records o	f utility companies operating within the state of Missouri.	
22	Q.	Have you previously filed testimony before this Commission?	

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How is the achieved return on equity determined for each one year sharing

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A. The achieved equity return is based on the average capital structure, the average rate base and the booked earnings, as adjusted, during the particular one year sharing period.

- Q. What amounts of sharing period earnings are credited to ratepayers?
- A. Fifty percent of the sharing period earnings that reflect an achieved equity return above 12.61% and less than or equal to 14% is credited to the ratepayers. Ninety percent of the sharing period earnings that reflect an achieved equity return above 14% and less than or equal to 16% is credited to the ratepayers. One hundred percent of the sharing period earnings that reflect an achieved equity return above 16% is credited to the ratepayers. At the Company's current level of earnings, the Staff's proposed adjustments would be shared equally between the Company and its ratepayers.
- Q. How did the Staff conduct its audit of the first sharing period of the second EARP?
- A. The Staff conducted its audit by reviewing the Company's earnings report, submitting data requests, and meeting with Company personnel. The Staff's review was less rigorous than a full rate case audit, which would have involved many additional auditors (not just accountants), spending much more time than we spent. The Staff attempted to determine if reasonable explanations existed for areas of expense that were identified as exhibiting large fluctuations. Although the Staff's review included an examination of the Company's calculations and supporting data, the Staff's monitoring was never intended to be limited to only that function.
- 0. What is the Staff's recommended level of credits for the sharing period ended June 30, 1999?

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- A. The Staff's recommended level of sharing credits is \$23,827,000. All of the sharing credits are at the 50% sharing level. This earnings level has been factored-up for income taxes. The Staff Accounting and Monitoring Schedules included in this direct filing support these calculations. The amounts referenced above specifically appear on Accounting Schedule 1 and Monitoring Schedule 4.
- Q. What is the basis for the adjustments made by the Staff which are at issue in this proceeding?
- A. The Staff is proposing its adjustments in accordance with the criteria established in the Stipulation and Agreements approved by the Commission in Case Nos. ER-95-411 and EM-96-149. Part of this criteria from the Stipulation and Agreement approved in Case No. ER-95-411 appear on pages 9 and 10 in sections 3.f.vii. and viii. These same sections also appear on pages 17 and 18 of the Stipulation and Agreement approved in Case No. EM-96-149. These sections state that:

7.f.vi.:

If Staff, OPC or other signatories find evidence that operating results have been manipulated to reduce amounts to be shared with customers or to misrepresent actual earnings or expenses, Staff, OPC or other signatories may file a complaint with the Commission requesting that a full investigation and hearing be conducted regarding said complaint. UE shall have the right to respond to such request and present facts and argument as to why an investigation is unwarranted.

7.f.vii.:

UE, Staff, OPC and other signatories reserve the right to bring issues which cannot be resolved by them, and which are related to the operation or implementation of the Plan, to the Commission for resolution. Examples include disagreements as to the mechanics of calculating the monitoring report, alleged violations of the Stipulation and

Agreement, alleged manipulations of earnings results, or requests for information not previously maintained by UE. An allegation of manipulation could include significant variations in the level of expenses associated with any category of cost, where no reasonable explanation has been provided. The Commission will determine in the first instance whether a question of manipulation exists and whether that question should be heard by it.

7.**f.viii**.:

Staff, OPC and other signatories have the right to present to the Commission concerns over any category of cost that has been included in UE's monitoring results and has not been included previously in any ratemaking proceeding.

Adjustments based on this language are sponsored by Staff Accounting witness John P. Cassidy, Stephen M. Rackers, and myself.

I would also note that the Reconciliation Procedure, Attachment C, Section 2.g. states, in part, that:

UE/Staff/OPC reserve the right to petition the Commission for resolution of disputed items relating to the operation or implementation of this Plan.

- Q. What are the disputed adjustments you are sponsoring which appear on Accounting Schedule 9, Adjustments to Income Statement?
 - A. I am sponsoring the following Income Statement adjustments:

Advertising expense S-8.1

Targeted Separation Plan expense S-9.5

In addition, I am also sponsoring the Staff's Accounting and Monitoring Schedules which have been bound separately as part of the Staff's filing in this case.

ADVERTISING EXPENSE

Q. Please explain adjustment S-8.1.

- A. Adjustment S-8.1 restates the sharing period level of expense to reflect the allowable cost of advertising as defined below.
 - Q. Please explain the history of such adjustments before the Commission.
- A. The Commission, in its Report and Order for Case Nos. EO-85-185 and EO-85-224 involving Kansas City Power & Light Company (KCPL), adopted the following treatment which separates advertisements into five categories and provides separate rate treatment for each category. The five categories of advertisements recognized by the Commission for purposes of this approach are:
 - (1) General- advertising that is useful in the provision of adequate service;
 - (2) Safety- advertising which conveys the ways to safely use the Company's service and to avoid accidents;
 - (3) Promotional- advertising used to encourage or promote the use of the particular commodity the utility is selling;
 - (4) Institutional- advertising used to improve or retain the Company's public image; and,
 - (5) Political- advertising which is associated with political candidates or issues.
- The Commission adopted these categories for advertisements because it believed that a utility's revenue requirement should: (1) always include general and safety ads, provided such costs are reasonable; (2) never include the cost of institutional or political ads; and (3) include the cost of promotional ads only to the extent that the utility can provide

political nature.

1	cost-justification for the ads. (KCPL, Report and Order, 28 Mo.P.S.C.(N.S.) 228
2	269-71 (1986)).
3	Q. Has this standard been used in more recent cases before the Commission?
4	A. Yes. The Commission has upheld the KCPL standard in numerous cases
5	since 1985, most recently in Case No. GR-99-315 involving Laclede Gas Company.
6	Q. Please discuss the examination performed by the Staff in relation to the
7	Company's advertising expenditures.
8	A. The Staff performed a review of each advertisement sponsored in whole or
9	in part by UE, which was expensed during the sharing period. Attached, as Schedule 2 to
10	this testimony is a schedule of the Staff's classification of all of the Company's
l 1	advertising.
12	Q. How did the Staff determine each advertisement's classification under the
13	KCPL standard?
4	A. Each advertisement was reviewed to determine which of the following
5	"primary messages" the advertisement was designed to communicate: (1) the
6	dissemination of information necessary to obtain safe and adequate service (general,
17	safety); (2) the promotion of a particular product or service (promotional); (3) the
8	enhancement of the Company's image (institutional); or (4) the endorsement of a political
9	candidate or issue (political).
20	Q. Has the Staff used all of the Commission's classifications in the
21	categorization and review of UE's advertisements?
22	A. No. UE did not submit, nor is the Staff aware of, any advertisements of a

1	Q. How has the Staff treated general and safety advertising?				
2	A.	The Staff made no adjustment to the Company's test year expense			
3	associated with Staff's categorized general or safety advertising.				
4	Q.	How has the Staff treated promotional advertising?			
5	A.	The Company ran only one promotional advertisement during the sharing			
6	period. Due to the immateriality of the cost of this advertisement, the Staff has not made				
7	any adjustment to remove promotional advertising from the calculation of sharing credits.				
8	Q.	How has the Staff treated institutional advertising?			
9	A. The Staff has removed the expenses for institutional advertisements from				
10	its calculation of sharing credits. Institutional (or goodwill) advertising is designed to				
11	enhance the Company's public image. This form of advertising is not necessary for the				
12	Company to provide safe and adequate service and therefore should not be included in				
13	the calculation of credits. The Staff believes that this type of image enhancement				
14	advertising only serves to benefit the shareholders of the utility.				
15	Q.	How much did UE spend on institutional advertising during the first			
16	sharing period of the second EARP?				
17	A.	The Staff classified \$1,337,231 of the Company's advertising as			
18	institutional.	The Staff removed this institutional advertising from its calculation of			
19	sharing credits.				
20	Q.	What advertising medium constitutes the majority of the dollars classified			
21	as institutional?				
22	A.	Nearly \$1,100,000 of the total institutional advertising dollars were spent			
23	on television	advertisements.			

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1	Q. Why did the Staff classify these ads as institutional?			
2	A. The Staff believes that the primary purpose of each of these			
3	advertisements was to enhance the Company's image. Please refer to Schedule 3 for a			
4	copy of the transcripts of each of these ads.			
5	Q. Does the Company agree with the Staff's classification?			
6	A. No.			
7	Q. Is advertising specifically addressed in the EARP?			
8	A. Yes, advertising expense is addressed in the reconciliation procedure,			
9	which is Attachment C to the Stipulation and Agreement from Case No. EM-96-149			
0	(Stipulation and Agreement). Specifically the reconciliation procedure states that when			
1	calculating the amount of sharing credits to be credited to customers, \$250,000 of			
12	goodwill advertising expense will be eliminated from the income statement. This amount			
13	was based on the level of institutional/goodwill advertising UE incurred in its most recent			
4	litigated rate/earnings complaint case under traditional regulation (Case No.			
15	EC-87-114).			
16	Q. Does the Staff believe it is prohibited by Attachment C of the Stipulation			
17	and Agreement from making an adjustment to eliminate all goodwill advertising from the			
18	calculation of sharing credits?			
19	A. No. As I mentioned previously in this testimony, Section 7.f.vii of the			
20	Stipulation and Agreement states:			
21	<u>7.f.vi.:</u>			
22 23 24 25	If Staff, OPC or other signatories find evidence that operating results have been manipulated to reduce amounts to be shared with customers or to misrepresent actual earnings or expenses, Staff, OPC or other signatories may			

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I also identified above Section 2.g of the Reconciliation Procedure, Attachment C which is relevant. The current level of goodwill advertising is over five times the amount provided for in the Stipulation and Agreement. The Staff believes that this increase is a significant variation in advertising expense for which no reasonable explanation has been provided. This increase represents a manipulation of earnings results as covered in the Stipulation and Agreement.

- Q. Has the Company provided a reasonable explanation for the increase in advertising expense?
- The Staff asked the Company to provide an explanation for the A. increase in this advertising expense. However, at the time of the Staff's direct filing, this data request is still outstanding.
- Q. What is the potential risk if the Company is only required to eliminate \$250,000 per year for goodwill advertising during the EARP?

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A. The Company would essentially have a "blank check" to spend as much as it wants to on goodwill advertising during the EARP. UE spent over \$1,300,000 on goodwill advertising during the first sharing period of the second EARP; however in future EARP sharing periods it could potentially spend \$5,000,000 or \$10,000,000, which likely would result in reductions to the level of sharing credits. The Stipulation and Agreements in Case No. ER-95-411 and Case No. EM-96-149 indicate the Staff thought that expenditures for goodwill advertising would remain in the \$250,000 range. The Stipulation and Agreements further indicate that it was not contemplated that the level of goodwill advertising would escalate to over five times that amount in only four years. Furthermore, as has been previously discussed, the Commission has traditionally shielded ratepayers from funding these expenses by disallowing all institutional/goodwill advertising from customers' rates. The Staff does not believe that alternative regulation is intended to provide a mechanism that would require ratepayers to fund costs, which have traditionally been disallowed by the Commission.

TARGETED SEPARATION PLAN

- Q. Please explain adjustment S-9.5.
- A. Adjustment S-9.5 eliminates the excess of the nonrecurring charge for the Company's Targeted Separation Plan (TSP) over the amount of savings occurring as a result of the plan in the first sharing period of the second EARP.
 - Q. Please describe the Targeted Separation Plan.
- A. In March 1998, Ameren (the parent company of Union Electric) announced plans to reduce operating expenses, including plans to eliminate approximately 400 employee positions by mid-1999 through a hiring freeze and the TSP.

realized by the Company.

In July 1998, Ameren offered separation packages to employees whose positions were to be eliminated through the TSP. During the third quarter of 1998, UE recorded a nonrecurring charge of nearly \$18,000,000 representing the cost to implement the TSP. During the sharing period, approximately \$11,000,000 of expense savings were actually

Q. Why is the Staff recommending an adjustment to the TSP?

A. The Staff believes that the amount of cost recognized from the TSP should not exceed the amount of savings actually realized from this plan during the sharing period. The Staff's view is that the amount of cost not recognized in this sharing period should be used as an offset to additional savings resulting from the TSP in the second and/or third sharing periods of the second EARP. The Staff's approach does not disallow any cost, but simply matches the amount of cost with the actual realized savings during the sharing periods. This approach prevents UE's customers from an earnings detriment in one sharing period based on a cost reduction program that should have long-term positive results for customers.

Q. How has the Staff calculated this adjustment?

A. First, the Staff derived a Missouri electric allocation of the TSP expenses by dividing the TSP expenses charged to Missouri electric operations in the sharing period by Ameren's total TSP expenses. Next, Ameren's total savings for the sharing period were calculated by adding the savings achieved resulting from the departed employees' salaries to the corresponding employee benefit savings. The total amount of savings was multiplied by the Missouri electric retail jurisdiction percentage of Ameren's total TSP expenses to arrive at an estimate of the Missouri electric retail portion of

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1	Ameren's savings resulting from the TSP during the sharing period. Finally, the TSP				
2	expenses allocated to Missouri electric operations were subtracted from the estimated				
3	Missouri electric retail share of the savings to arrive at the adjustment. The adjustment				
4	reflecting the Missouri electric retail expenses in excess of Missouri electric retail savings				
5	for the TSP in the first sharing period of the second EARP is approximately \$5,500,000.				
6	Q. On what basis does the Staff believe it is appropriate to make this				
7	adjustment?				
8	A. As mentioned previously in this testimony, Section 7.f.viii. of the original				
9	Stipulation and Agreement states that				
10 11 12 13 14	Staff, OPC and other signatories have the right to present to the Commission concerns over any category of cost that has been included in UE's monitoring results and has not been included previously in any ratemaking proceeding.				
14 15	The Staff believes that the TSP is a new cost that has not been included				
16	previously in any ratemaking proceeding.				
17	Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?				
18	A. Yes, it does.				

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric Company for an Order Authorizing (1) Certain Merger Transactions Involving Union Electric company; (2) the Transfer of Certain Assets, Real Estate, Leased Property, Easements and Contractual Agreements to Central Illinois Public Service Company; and (3) in Connection Therewith, Certain Other Related Transactions) Case No. EM-96-149)))))))			
AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN M. BOCZKIEWICZ				
STATE OF MISSOURI)) ss. COUNTY OF COLE)				
John M. Boczkiewicz, is, of lawful age, and on his oath states: that he has participated in the preparation of the foregoing Direct Testimony in question and answer form, consisting of pages to be presented in the above case; that the answers in the foregoing Direct Testimony were given by him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such answers; and that such matter are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief. John M. Boczkiewicz				
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th	day of			
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SUMMARY OF RATE CASE INVOLVEMENT

JOHN M. BOCZKIEWICZ

COMPANY	<u>CASE NO</u> .
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company	TC-93-224
Laclede Gas Company	GR-94-220
St. Louis County Water Company	WR-95-145
St. Louis County Water Company	WR-96-263
Missouri-American Water Company	WR-97-237
St. Louis County Water Company	WR-97-382
Laclede Gas Company	GR-98-374
Laclede Gas Company	GR-99-315

Union Electric Company Case No. EM-96-149 4th Sharing Period Classifications of Advertisements

Total

Job Number	Title	Cost	Staff Classification	Staff Treatment	Schedule Reference	
Televisio	Television					
AC70269 AC80026 AC80276 AC80472 AC90079	Smart Lights Bump in the Night Do the Right Thing	217,250 420,661 143,212	Institutional Institutional Institutional Safety Institutional	Disallowed Disallowed Disallowed Allowed Disallowed	3-1 3-2 3-3 3-4 3-5	
Radio						
AC70263 AC70265 AC70266		41,268 123,730 66,285	Institutional Institutional General Safety General	Disallowed Disallowed Allowed Allowed Allowed	3-6 3-7 3-8 3-9 3-10	
Print						
AC80433	SmartLights Scholarship Winners-'98 SmartLights Winners Marching Band Ad	31,127 13,330 15,642 31,299	Institutional Institutional Institutional	Disallowed Allowed Disallowed Disallowed Disallowed	3-11 3-12 3-13 3-14 3-15	
AC80490 AC80228	Pope Ad Rams Ads (Helmet/Goalpost) Winter Energy Tips	11,712 21,655 15,977	General Institutional Institutional General General	Allowed Disallowed Disallowed Allowed Allowed	3-16 3-17 3-18 3-19 3-20	
AC90235 AC80367 AC80447 AC80316	Environmental Sheldon Concert Hall Opera Theatre St. Louis Dance St. Louis	34,699 1,805 1,530 2,416	Institutional Institutional Institutional Institutional	Disallowed Disallowed Disallowed Disallowed	3-21 3-22 3-22 3-22	
AC80353 AC80355 AC80267	Reperatory Theatre of St. Louis Perf. Notes/Edison Theater St. Louis Black Repertory The New Theater	1,050 2,050 1,000	Institutional Institutional Institutional Institutional	Disallowed Disallowed Disallowed Disallowed	3-22 3-22 3-22 3-22	
AC80369	The Fox Playbill Area Development-"Wires" AmerenUE/AmerenEnergy	•	Institutional Promotional Non-regulated	Disallowed Allowed Allowed	3-22 3-23 3-24	

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TELEVISION

Ameren Safe Lights/UE Version "Fat Dogs" :30 2/9/98

ANNCR:

Through our new Safe Lights program, AmerenUE donates lighting to neighborhoods. So everyone can rest a little easier. Some perhaps a little too easy.

Help keep our neighborhoods safe. AmerenUE (Ameren music)
We're always there.



Ameren Smart Lights/UE Version "Slide" 5/4/98

ANNCR: Why does AmerenUE provide funds to help communities

light up public areas at night?

Because sometimes there's just not enough hours in the day.

(SUPERS)

The Smart Lights program. Helping communities improve public lighting. AmerenUE. We're Always There.



TELEVISION

AMEREN
4th Quarter TV
"Bump In The Night/UE"
:30

TIGHT ON SERIES OF NIGHTLIGHTS.

VO: At AmerenUE, we have programs in place to help the environment...
improve neighborhood safety...attract new businesses and jobs...
even help students pay for college.
But of course, all that's nothing compared to our ability to chase away things that go bump in the night.

CUT TO LOGO AND TAG.

VO: AmerenUE. We're always there.

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TELEVISION

AmerenUE Do The Right Thing-99 Steger/Kite :15 3/19/99

BOY:

Sponsored by AmerenUE who reminds you to do the right thing around

electricity. Who, what ...?

GIRL 1:

When you see a power line on the ground, stay away.

BOY:

Ooh... uh.

GIRL 2:

Never climb a tree that's near a power line.

BOY:

Play it safe.

AmerenUE Logo

Schedule 3-4



TOWNSEN O

TELEVISION

AmerenUE
Do The Right Thing-99
Fanning Plugs
:15
12/16/98

GIRL 1: Sponsored by AmerenUE who reminds you to do the right thing around

electricity.

GIRL 2: Always keep appliances away from water. Pull cords out by the plug,

not the wire.

GIRL 1: Be careful.

AmerenUE Logo

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TOWNSEND

TELEVISION

AmerenUE Do The Right Thing-99 Steger/Stage :15 3/19/99

BOY:

Sponsored by AmerenUE who reminds you to do the

right thing around electricity.

Keep ladders away from power lines.

Never ever climb utility poles.

Be careful.

(Clapping SFX)

AmerenUE Logo

Schedule 3-4 cont'd

TELEVISION

Ameren
Environmental TV
"Yours and Ours" :30
4/15/99

OPEN ON KIDS OUTDOORS. DISSOLVE THROUGH VARIOUS SCENES OF KIDS RUNNING, JUMPING, PLAYING AND ENJOYING NATURE.

VO: Your kids climb the same trees as ours.

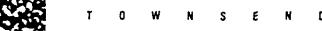
Yours play in the same streams as ours.

Yours breathe the same air as ours.

So, when we tell you Ameren is doing everything we're asked—and more—to protect the environment, you don't have to look far to see the reasons why...

...yours and ours.

SUPER: AmerenUE (AmerenCiPS)





Ameren
"Guard Dog" (Safe Lights)
AmerenUE Version
:60
2/9/97

JACK:

I borrowed my neighbor's watchdog to demonstrate how effective the new Safe Light's program from AmerenUE is. Rocky, a 150-pound guard dog who is trained to attack at the slightest provocation. You ready, Rocky? Here I come, onto your property. An uninvited AmerenUE lineman.

SFX:

Snoring sounds.

JACK:

Look Rocky, I'm walking up the steps to your house.

SFX:

Yawning sounds.

JACK:

I'm carrying a large, blunt object in my hand. (ASIDE) Okay, it's a light bulb, but see, he doesn't know that. Hey, Rocky? Look boy, I'm intruding, Rocky.

SFX:

Yawning and groaning sounds.

JACK:

Yeah, this graduate of the K-9 guard dog academy is sound asleep. Why? Well, because he knows his porch and every porch in his neighborhood are well lit with light bulbs donated by AmerenUE in coordination with community groups and the local police. And since it's a well-known fact that lighting helps deter crime, Rocky is enjoying some much needed R&R. Aren't you, boy? Yeah, I bet you could use a few pets to your big dog

head, couldn't you, boy, huh?

SFX:

Dog snarling and growling.

JACK:

Oh, well. Maybe not. Safe Lights from AmerenUE. Making

our community a safer place to live.

AmerenUE. (Ameren music) We're always there.



RADIO

Ameren Glor "Spring Radio"
AmerenUE Version

:60 2/9/97

SFX:

Springtime, romantic music, birds chirping, etc.

JACK:

Aaaaah Spring. Birds are singing, flowers are blooming...and a young man's thoughts turn to...electricity. Well, mine do anyway, but that's probably because I work for AmerenUE. And to me that whole "April showers brings May flowers" thing means we're in for some pretty nasty thunderstorms. So, while the rest of the world is running around acting like lovesick puppies...

SFX:

Romantic music.

JACK:

We linemen are doing our best to keep your power on. Now that is, of course, our job. So it's not like we expect a medal or anything. We just wanted to let you know we're on the case, that's all.

SFX:

Thunder rumbling.

JACK:

In fact, at AmerenUE, we're on it even *before* a storm hits. With the help of our lightning detection center we can determine how many crews to keep on and if and when we need to add more to the schedule.

SFX:

Thunder crash.

JACK:

Of course, even with all of today's technology, it's still sometimes hard to stay ahead of Mother Nature. So, the next time there's a big storm, try to remember those singing birds and blooming flowers.

SFX:

Springtime, romantic music, birds chirping, etc

JACK:

And that we're working as hard and as fast as we can. AmerenUE. (Ameren music) We're always there.



RADIO

AmerenUE Energy Tips "Fill Up/UE"

:60

REVISED 5/12/98

SFX:

Sounds at a gas station; traffic in background.

ANNCR:

I'm here at the gas station to help AmerenUE make a point about saving energy at home. Just like your car needs gas to keep it running, your home needs energy to keep it cool in the summer and warm in the winter.

SFX:

He puts gas pump into car.

ANNCR:

Now, here's how a lot of homes use energy... (gas shoots out of pump) ... quickly and inefficiently.

But by turning the thermostat up a few degrees in the summer, and down a few degrees in the winter, you could really cut down energy use... (gas slows) ... three percent for every degree. It's what we at AmerenUE call good thermostat management.

(Gas slows.) That's better. For even greater energy savings throughout the year, weather strip doors and windows (gas slows) can caulk gaps in vents, electrical outlets and window air conditioners (gas is crawling out now).

In some cases, a well-caulked, well-insulated and weather-stripped home uses up to 30 percent less energy.

SFX:

Horn honks. Guy walks up.

GUY:

Hey buddy, what's taking so long?

ANNCR:

One more thing. Follow these tips and you not only save energy and

money, you also help the environment.

GUY:

And who are you talking to?

ANNCR:

AmerenUE. (AMEREN MUSIC) We're always there.

GUY:

And where did that music come from?





RADIO

Ameren Holiday Tips/UE "Jingle Bells": :60 REVISED 11/20/98

(JINGLE BELLS PUNCTUATED BY ELECTRIC BUZZ SFX)

ANNCR:

This time of year, with all the lights going up for the holidays, the increase in the chance of electrical mishaps in the home can be a little...shocking.

That's why AmerenUE would like to take this moment to remind you that, if you're decorating your home or tree with lights this holiday season, make sure you do so safely.

Check wires to make sure they aren't frayed.

Don't run lights or cords through windows or under rugs.

Remember not to overload outlets.

If you have a live tree, give it plenty of water.

And never leave the house with your holidays lights on.

Because if you think an electrical mishap can ruin a holiday song on the radio, imagine what it could do to your holidays at home.

Please remember to play it safe this holiday season. A message from your friends at AmerenUE. (AMEREN MUSIC) We're always there.



RADIO

Ameren SmartLights "Ball Game/UE" :60 REVISED 6/3/98

(LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL GAME; BIG CROWD IN STANDS; KIDS HOOTING AND YELLING FROM THE FIELD; PLINK! OF ALUMINUM BAT)

UMP:

FOUL BALL! STRIKE TWO!

(CROWD YELLS ENCOURAGEMENT; KIDS YELL FROM FIELD; PLINK!)

UMP:

FOUL BALL! STRIKE TWO!

(PLINK!)

UMP:

Foul ball! Strike Two!

(CROWD STARTS GRUMBLING; KIDS ARE QUIET)

UMP:

(PLINK!) Foul ball. (PLINK!) Foul ball. (PLINK!) Foul ball.

(PLINK!) Foul (PLINK!) ball. Strike two.

ANNCR:

Why does AmerenUE's SmartLights Program provide funds to help communities light up ballfields, basketball courts, parks and

other public places at night?

(PARK IS QUIET, EXCEPT FOR CHIRPING OF CRICKETS; PLINK!)

UMP:

(HOARSE NOW) Foul ball. Strike two.

ANNCR:

Because sometimes there's just not enough hours in the day.

UMP:

(PLINK!) (SOBBING AND HOARSE) Foul ball. Stike two.

ANNCR:

If you're part of a not-for-profit or community organization in the AmerenUE service area, call us for a SmartLights application or to find out how the SmartLights Program can help your organization purchase energy-efficient public lighting. Call 1-800-552-7583.

ANNCR:

The SmartLights Community Lighting Program...

UMP:

(PLINK!) Foul ball, strike two. (ROOSTER CROWS)

ANNCR:

...from AmerenUE. (AMEREN MUSIC) We're always there.

Got any bright ideas for the PARKS, PLAYGROUNDS AND BALLFIELDS

in your community?

If there's a public place in your neighborhood that needs new or improved lighting, the AmerenUE SmartLights Program can help. SmartLights provides funds to help qualified not-for-profit and community groups buy energy-efficient public lighting. To be eligible for funds, groups must complete a SmartLights application and provide AmerenUE with a plan that includes energy-efficient lighting. AmerenUE will accept applications from communities and organizations within the AmerenUE service area. Application deadline is September 30. For information or an application, call 1-800-552-7583. Or visit us on the web at www.ameren.com. And do something to bring your ideas to life. And to light.



America UE "Bright Ideas"

Ameren UE awards

100 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS.

In this case, POWER IS KNOWLEDGE.

As part of a four-year, \$1 million commitment to education, Ameren recently awarded one hundred \$2,500 scholarships. Recipients, some of whom are listed below, live in the Ameren service area and will attend accredited Missouri or Illinois colleges. Many are recent high school graduates; others are adults returning to school. But to each worthy recipient, whether you're 18, 50-plus, or some age in between, we say congratulations. Go for it. And more power to you.

Matt Anton Michelle Armstrong Seth Barlage Lula Barnes Phillip Berg Robert Boyars Dana Boyd Michael-Paul Bridwell Troy Brinson Deanna Brown Steven Bucher Tami Bush-Wright Brian Carlson Mica Carter Candice Chasteen Julia Chowdhury Dorothy Cobb Janet Cobb Kristy Daum Nora Davis Lucy Durbin Nicholas Franzoni Dena Galloway Alisha Glenn Jennifer Glueck Laura Gonzalez

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Ameren "Scholarship Winne...

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THANKS TO AMEREN, THESE GROUPS WILL SEE THINGS IN A BETTER LIGHT.

Our SmartLights Program helps not-for-profit, civic and community groups in the Ameren service territories of Missouri and Illinois improve public areas by providing grants to purchase energy-efficient lighting equipment. The 1998 recipients, below, were selected from a field of over 200 by a panel of judges that included community leaders, lighting experts and our employees. In all, \$500,000 in grants was distributed. Ameren congratulates these groups for having the insight to recognize the need for public lighting. And the energy to do something about it.

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CITY OF PUITSFIELD PARK BOARD

CITY OF GRAFTON



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With This Many Bands, THERE'S SURE TO BE A JAM

On Market Street.

We're proud to announce this year's participants in the 1998 Ameren Marching Band Contest, part of the Christmas in St. Louis Mid-America Holiday Parade, Thanksgiving Day, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., in downtown St. Louis.

BELLEVILLE EAST

BRITTANY WOODS

QUIET STORM DRUM

Southeast Whitfield

& BUGLE CORPS

MATER DEI

FT. ZUMWALT SOUTH

RITENOUR

FRANCIS HOWELL

ST. CHARLES WEST

CENTRAL

Sumner

COLLINSVILLE

Windsor

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MEHLVILLE

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Northwest

JOHN FORD HIGHLAND

SHOW ME SOUND DRUM

PIPE BAND

& BUGLE CORPS



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KNOWLEDGE IS POWER.

HOW APPROPRIATE, THEN, THAT AMEREN IS AWARDING 100 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS.

Ameren will award one hundred college scholarships, each worth \$2,500. The scholarships are need-based and are available to qualified students from among our AmerenUE and AmerenCIPS customers. To be eligible, applicants must be enrolling full-time and seeking an associates or baccalaureate degree at an accredited Missouri or Illinois college. Employees and dependents of Ameren and The Scholarship Foundation are not eligible. Application deadline is April 15, 1999. For guidelines of eligibility and an application, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to The Scholarship Foundation, 8215 Clayton Road, St. Louis, Missouri 63117. And for more information, visit our website at www.ameren.com, call The Scholarship Foundation at 314-725-7990, or e-mail them at schlrshpfd@stlnet.com.



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A. A. Land Barrell



Ameren is proud to play a role in the visit of Pope John Paul II.

Our area's young people have gathered together to take part in "Walk in The Light," a youth walk from the Arch grounds to the Kiel Center. We're honored to help sponsor this important event and be a part of St. Louis history.

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No.2 in a series

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SHUT THE DOOR!

AND OTHER ENERGY-SAVING TIPS.

Your parents were right. Keeping doors and windows tightly shut is an important and easy way to keep heat in its place. And energy bills in check. Here are some other simple things you can do: Lower your thermostat a few degrees. Every degree results in a savings of about three percent. To boost the energy-efficiency of windows, open drapes and shades during the day, and close them at night. To help keep your furnace running smoothly, change the filter every month. And be sure to weather-strip and caulk doors and windows. A well-caulked, weather-stripped home can result in savings of up to 30 percent. By taking these simple steps, you'll save energy. You'll save money. And your parents will be very proud. For more information on making your home energy efficient, visit us on the web at www.ameren.com.



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AMERINIE "SHUT THE DOOR"

To be eligible for

OUR SAFELIGHTS PROGRAM,

a community has to apply itself.

By May 31st.

To help make neighborhoods safer at night, AmerenUE is giving away thousands of special, long-life, high-efficiency lightbulbs to qualified neighborhood organizations and community groups. So, if your organization or group has a history of conducting successful community programs, can develop a plan for distributing and installing your AmerenUE SafeLights, and has the endorsement of the local police, give us a call. And we'll give you an application. Call 314-554-6441. Or contact us on the web at www.ameren.com. And who knows, with your efforts and our help, your neighborhood's future could get a little brighter. And a little safer.



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AmerenUE "1999 SAFELIGHTS PROGRAM"

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We love all the applause when the lights come up.

But how about a hand for the performers?



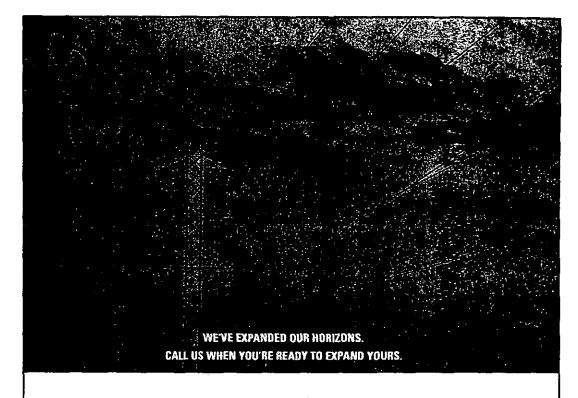
Of course, it's the performing arts that bring this community to its feet.

That's why AmerenUE supports the arts through funding, employee efforts and simple patronage.

Making life that much brighter for all of us.



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We're Ameren. The newly combined energy companfor St. Louis, mid-Missouri and central lilinois. Now, serving twice the number of communities, Ameren has more resources to offer expanding companies than ever before. Access to a larger skilled labor force, fullyimproved industrial sites and advanced transportation systems connecting to growing national and international markets. You can also look to Ameren as your complete source for competitive energy services and confidentiabusiness development assistance. To meet your Amerer Economic Development Team, call 1-800-981-9409 We're looking forward to growing together.



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BUSINESS CUSTOMERS CAN COUNT ON AMEREN FOR MORE THAN JUST ELECTRICITY.

GAS, FOR INSTANCE.

Businesses count on Ameren for efficient, affordable and reliable electrical service. Now they can do the same when it comes to gas. Introducing AmerenEnergy, a newly formed subsidiary and supplier of natural gas. The combination of AmerenUE and AmerenEnergy makes us uniquely qualified to become your company's total energy provider. That means you can count on us for electricity and natural gas. And much more. Like energy management products. Gas or electric efficiency audits. And a full range of additional products and services to help your company get the most out of the energy we provide. So, for questions about your electrical energy needs, call AmerenUE at 314-554-4500. And to find out more about the new choice for natural gas, call AmerenEnergy at 314-613-9040.



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