OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Application of Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE for an Order Authorizing Applicant (if and to the Extent the Transaction Described Herein Would Constitute the Issuance of an Evidence of Indebtedness by Applicant under Sections 393.180 and 393.200, RSMo) to Execute, Deliver and Perform the Agreements and Instruments Necessary to Assume a Lease and Related Documents Pertaining to the NRG Audrain Combustion Turbine Generator Facility Owned by Audrain County, Missouri, Which)))) Case No. EF-2006-0278))
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ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: January 31, 2006 Effective Date: January 31, 2006

On December 27, 2005, Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE asked for permission to assume a lease that NRG Audrain Generating LLC holds in Audrain County's NRG Audrain Facility. The Missouri Joint Municipal Electric Utility Commission filed an Application for Intervention on January 12. AmerenUE filed its objection on January 23.

The Commission will order MJMEUC and its Staff to respond.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Missouri Joint Municipal Electric Utility Commission shall respond to the Response in Opposition to Application for Intervention of Missouri Joint Municipal Electric Utility Commission filed by Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, no later than 9:00 a.m., February 2, 2006.

- 2. That the Staff of the Commission shall its position on the Application for Intervention of Missouri Joint Municipal Electric Utility Commission no later than 9:00 a.m., February 2, 2006.
 - 3. That this order shall become effective on January 31, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Ronald D. Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 31st day of January, 2006.