

Dora M. Middleton,
Complainant,

V.

Union Electric Company, d/b/a
Ameren Missouri,
Respondent.

File No. EC-2018-0076

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE OUT OF TIME
AND PROPOSED PRE-HEARING DATES

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and hereby states as follows:

1. On September 15, 2017, Complainant filed a *Complaint* against Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren”) in the above referenced case.
2. On September 18, 2017, the Commission directed Staff to investigate the *Complaint* and file a report detailing its findings and recommendations no later than November 2, 2017.
3. On October 18, 2017, Ameren filed its *Answer*.
4. On November 2, 2017, Staff filed its *Report* indicating it found no violation of any applicable statutes, Commission rules, or tariff.
5. On November 6, 2017, the Commission ordered Staff to contact the parties to establish mutually available dates, as well as a location, for a pre-hearing conference in St. Charles County. The Commission ordered parties to file available dates with the Commission no later than November 14, 2017.
6. Also on November 6, 2017, Staff reached out to parties via email in an attempt to coordinate dates and locations for a pre-hearing conference, as ordered by the Commission.

7. The only response Staff received was on the evening of November 14, 2017, after close of business. Complainant requested January 24, 2017, as the date for the pre-hearing conference, and she did not indicate a preferred location.

8. Staff recognizes that Complainant likely intended to request January 24, 2018. No other parties responded to Staff's email. Upon checking the Commission's hearing schedule, the only events that appear to be in conflict are local public hearings in case no. WR-2017-0285.

9. Because Staff had not received any feedback regarding dates or locations for the pre-hearing conference, Staff did not make a timely filing on November 14, 2017. Having now received a response from one party to the case, Staff recommends a pre-hearing date of January 24, 2018 and requests that the Commission accept this filing out of time, as complying with its November 6, 2017, *Order*.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests the Commission accept its *Motion for Leave to File Out of Time and Proposed Pre-Hearing Dates*, and set a pre-hearing conference for January 24, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile, or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 15th day of November, 2017.

/s/ Marcella L. Forck