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

Dora M. Middleton,	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
V.	)	File No. <u>EC-2018-0076</u>
	)	
Union Electric Company, d/b/a	)	
Ameren Missouri,	)	
Respondent.	)	

## PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

**COME NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and hereby files its *Proposed Procedural Schedule*, in response to the Commission's January 31, 2018 *Order Directing Filing and Setting Prehearing Conference* ("January 31 Order"):

- 1. The parties make the following agreements regarding discovery:
  - a) The response time for all data requests shall be fifteen (15) calendar days, with seven (7) calendar days to object or notify the requesting party that more than fifteen (15) calendar days will be needed to provide the requested information.
  - b) All data requests, subpoenas, or other discovery requests shall be issued no later than May 1, 2018. With respect to deposing a witness, depositions must be completed at least three (3) business days prior to the date of the evidentiary hearing.

- 2. In the January 31 Order, the Judge set a second prehearing conference for March 12, 2018, at 11:00 am. In discussions with the parties, Ms. Middleton has indicated a preference to move the prehearing conference to April 6, 2018, at 1:30 pm. She has expressed concerns requiring additional time to prepare and to produce discovery that, if produced, would be dispositive to her case. Staff points out that the prehearing conference is not an evidentiary proceeding. On the other hand, Ameren has expressed concern with delaying the prehearing conference, as it has a February 2, 2018 motion that is to be taken up at the prehearing conference. Because this remains an open question, Staff requests a ruling from the judge on this matter.
- 3. The parties further recommend the Commission adopt the following procedural schedule for this case:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Date</u>
Second Prehearing Conference	March 12, 2018 or April 6, 2018
Deadline for filing direct testimony Or indicating that complaint will serve As direct testimony (Complainant)	April 27, 2018
Rebuttal Testimony (Respondent)	May 11, 2018
Surrebuttal Testimony (Complainant)	May 25, 2018
Order of Witnesses filed	June 5, 2018
Stipulation of Non-disputed Material Facts	June 6, 2018
Evidentiary Hearing	June 8, 2018

**WHEREFORE**, Staff respectfully submits this proposed procedural schedule in compliance with the Commission's January 31, 2018 order.

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 16th day of February, 2018.

/s/ Marcella L. Forck