

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

In the Matter of the Application of Union)
Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE for an)
Order Authorizing the Sale and Transfer)
of Certain Assets of AmerenUE to St.)
James Municipal Utilities and Rolla)
Municipal Utilities.)

Case No. EO-2010-0263

**RESPONSE TO MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER
AND REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and, as ordered by the Commission on August 2, 2010, responds to the City of Rolla's Motion for Protective Order and Request for Expedited Treatment as follows:

1. As alleged by the City of Rolla in its motion, pro se litigant Donna Hawley has served on Staff data requests. The requests follow:

a. I am requesting copies of all data, document or communications that each of the parties has that pertains to this case from the beginning to today's date. I prefer email but realize that some items may require sending via Fed Ex or USPS.

b. Please forward to me a complete and unredacted copy of the RW Beck engineering report prepared for RMU.

2. As alleged by the City of Rolla, Staff informed the City of Rolla it considers intervenor Hawley to be an "attorney" for purposes of 4 CSR 240-2.135(4) and, therefore, entitled to the R.W. Beck & Associates report Staff received from the City of Rolla in response to a data request. Because the City of Rolla is opposing disclosure, Staff suggested to the City of Rolla that it seek a protective order from the Commission to obtain a quick resolution of this matter.

3. Pending resolution of the City of Rolla's motion, Staff plans to not provide the report to Ms. Hawley.

4. Staff is aware that documents filed in this case by Ms. Hawley on July 13, 2010, marked as exhibits D-2 and E-2, show the City of Rolla has deemed portions of the R.W. Beck & Associates report to fall into an exception to disclosure under the Sunshine Law.

5. Staff has no opinion on the City of Rolla's determination that portions of the requested report falls within an exception to the Sunshine Law.

Wherefore, Staff neither opposes nor supports the City of Rolla's Motion, but does support the City of Rolla's request for the Commission to rule expeditiously.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 2nd day of August 2010.

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