

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

In Re: Union Electric Company's 2005            )  
Utility Resource Filing Pursuant to            )  
4 CSR 240 - Chapter 22                            )        **Case No. EO-2006-0240**

**ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO INTERVENE**

Issue Date: January 23, 2006

Effective Date: January 23, 2006

On January 10, 2006, an ad hoc group of not-for-profit hospital systems and large industrial companies calling itself the Missouri Energy Group (MEG)<sup>1</sup> filed an application to intervene. The Commission had previously established December 28 as the deadline for the filing of applications to intervene, so MEG's application was filed late.

MEG's application explains that its members purchase substantial amounts of electricity from AmerenUE. Accordingly, MEG claims that the matters to be considered in this case will have a direct and significant impact on the cost and reliability of electricity delivered to its member companies. As a result, MEG asserts that it will be directly affected by the outcome of this case.

MEG explains that it did not file its application to intervene within the time allowed by the Commission because it did not learn of AmerenUE's filing until after the deadline for intervention had passed. Thereafter, it filed its application to intervene as soon as possible.

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<sup>1</sup> The members of MEG are Barnes-Jewish Hospital, Holcim US, Inc., and SSM Health Care.

Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(15) provides that parties have not more than ten days in which to respond to any pleading. No party has filed a response to MEG's application to intervene, so the Commission will presume that it is unopposed.

Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.075 provides that the Commission may grant an application to intervene if the proposed intervenor has an interest that is different than that of the general public, and which may be adversely affected by a final order arising from the case. In the alternative, the Commission may grant an application to intervene if doing so would serve the public interest. That regulation also provides that the Commission may grant an application to intervene filed after the intervention date if good cause is shown.

The Commission finds that MEG has an interest that is different than that of the general public and that its interest may be adversely affected by a final order arising from this case. Furthermore, the Commission finds that MEG's proposed intervention will serve the public interest. In addition, the Commission finds that MEG has shown good cause to grant its application filed after the intervention date. Therefore, in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.075, the Commission will grant the application to intervene.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the Application to Intervene of the Missouri Energy Group is granted.

2. That this order shall become effective on January 23, 2006.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written in a cursive style.

Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

( S E A L )

Morris L. Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 23rd day of January, 2006.