

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

In the Matter of Ameren Missouri’s)
Solar Rebate Offer)
)

File No. EE-2014-0313
Tracking No. JE-2014-0429

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE RECOMMENDATION
LATE, AND SETTING PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE**

Issue Date: May 16, 2014

Effective Date: May 16, 2014

On April 28, 2014, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri”) asked the Commission to grant it a variance from certain portions of the Commission’s Electric Utility Renewable Energy Standard Requirements rule in 4 CSR 240-20.100. Ameren Missouri is requesting a variance from Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-20.100.4(K), to allow an additional month for inspections of customers’ solar electric systems by certain jurisdictional authorities. Ameren Missouri is also requesting variance from the date by which it must provide solar rebate payments to those customers.

On April 29, 2014, the Commission issued an order directing the Staff of the Public Service Commission to file a recommendation on Ameren Missouri’s *Application for Variance* by May 13, 2014. On May 13th, Staff filed a *Motion for Extension of Time*, requesting a two-day extension to file its recommendation. On that same day, the Commission granted Staff’s motion.

On the afternoon of the 16th, one day after the extended deadline, Staff filed *Staff’s Motion for Leave to File Recommendation Late*, citing press of Commission business as its excuse for missing the extended deadline. Although Staff did not indicate in its latest motion an attempt to contact counsel for the other parties prior to filing the motion, the

Commission finds no harm exists in this limited circumstance for granting Staff's motion. The Commission will permit Staff to file its recommendation late. In said recommendation, Staff urges the Commission to deny Ameren Missouri's application and reject its proposed tariff sheets, assigned Tracking No. JE-2014-0429.

Since a dispute exists on Ameren Missouri's application, the Commission will schedule a conference, so that the parties may discuss a resolution of any dispute and if the parties determine a hearing is necessary, a procedural schedule will be set. Parties may appear in person or telephonically.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Staff's *Motion for Leave to File Recommendation Late* is granted.
2. A pre-hearing conference will be held at 1:30 p.m. on May 29, 2014, at the Commission's office at the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, Room 305. This building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If additional accommodations are needed to participate in this pre-hearing conference, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.
3. Parties may appear either in person or by telephone. Any appearance by telephone shall be made by dialing 573-526-5398 at the designated pre-hearing time.

4. This order shall become effective upon issuance.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "M" and "W".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Kim S. Burton, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 16th day of May, 2014.