

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric)
Company for Authority to Continue the)
Transfer of Functional Control of Its Transmission)
System to the Midwest Independent Transmission)
System Operator, Inc.)

File No. EO-2011-0128

ORDER GRANTING THE APPLICATION TO INTERVENE OF THE EMPIRE DISTRICT ELECTRIC COMPANY

Issue Date: November 29, 2010

Effective Date: November 29, 2010

On November 1, 2010, Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri, applied to the Commission to extend its authority to continue the transfer of functional control of its electric transmission system to the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. (Midwest ISO) through December 31, 2013. The Commission provided notice of the filing and established November 24, 2010, as the deadline for interested parties to apply to intervene.

The Empire District Electric Company applied to intervene on November 10. Empire is an electric utility that serves the southwest portion of Missouri and is a member of the Southwest Power Pool, Inc, (SPP) another regional transmission organization. A transmission seam exists between SPP and Midwest ISO that affects Empire's ability to sell power to and import power from areas within the Midwest ISO. As a result, Empire claims an interest in Ameren Missouri's application for authority to remain in the Midwest ISO. More than ten days have passed since Empire applied to intervene and no party has objected to that application.

The Commission finds that the interest of Empire in this case is different from that of the general public, and may be adversely affected by a final order arising from this case. Furthermore, the Commission finds that allowing Empire to intervene will serve the public interest. Therefore, in accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(4), the Commission will grant the application to intervene.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Application to Intervene of The Empire District Electric Company is granted.
2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 29th day of November, 2010.