STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 22nd day of November, 2011.

In the matter of the Application of)
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri and)
Cuivre River Electric Cooperative for Approval of an)
Addendum to an Approved Territorial Agreement)

File No. EO-2012-0093

FINAL DECISION APPROVING ADDENDUM TO TERRITORIAL AGREEMENT

Issue Date: November 22, 2011 Effective Date: December 2, 2011

The Missouri Public Service Commission is approving an addendum to the Second Territorial Agreement ("agreement") between Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Company") and Cuivre River Electric Cooperative ("Cooperative"). The addendum relates to new structures in Moscow Mills, Missouri. The Commission's approval is pursuant to the case-by-case exception procedure ("exception procedure") that the Commission approved in the agreement and the standards governing such agreement.

Procedure

On September 27, 2011, the Company and the Cooperative filed an application seeking approval of an addendum to the agreement. The agreement includes an exception procedure.¹ The exception procedure provides for modification of the agreement by the filing of an addendum.

An addendum, absent the filing of an objection within 45 days of the addendum's filing date, represents all parties' approval of its terms. No objection was filed. In addition, the Commission issued notice of this action with a deadline for filing applications to

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¹ Set forth in the Appendix to this decision.

intervene. No application to intervene was filed. On October 25, 2011, Staff filed its recommendation, with a supporting affidavit, in favor of the application.

Because Staff recommends approval and no party filed an objection,² the parties' filings constitute a stipulation and agreement, and a waiver of hearing.³ The Commission determines not to convene a hearing on its own motion.⁴ The Commission independently finds and concludes as follows.

Findings and Conclusions

The Cooperative is a rural electrical cooperative organized under the provisions of Chapter 394, RSMo. The Company is a public utility. Larry and Peggy Taylor own the structures at issue: a residence and shop building ("structures"). The structures are in Township 49N, Range 1E, Section 22, Moscow Mills, Missouri. That location is within the Cooperative's exclusive service territory as designated in the agreement.

The Company can serve the structures more economically and practically than the Cooperative. That is because Cooperative facilities are farther than Company facilities. Those facts support approval of the addendum under the standards applicable to the agreement.⁵

First, the addendum includes specific provisions for the Company to operate in the Cooperative's territory because it allows the Company to supply the structures.⁶ Second, "approval of the territorial agreement in total is not detrimental to the public interest." The

² The Office of the Public Counsel is a party to this action under 4 CSR 240-2.010(11) but has elected to enter no appearance.

³ Sections 394.310 and 536.060, RSMo 2000; and Section 394.312.5, RSMo Supp. 2010. The parties' stipulation to facts, rather than merely to a result, also permits the Commission to dispense with separately stated findings of fact. Section 536.090, RSMo 2000.

⁴ Section 394.312.9.

⁵ Section 394.312.4.

⁶ Section 394.312.2.

⁷ Section 394.312.5.

public interest includes factors related to "efficient facilities and substantial justice between patrons and public utilities [.]"8 The Taylors support the application and other customers will benefit from avoiding unnecessary extension of facilities. Those facts show that the public interest weighs in favor of the application.

Decision

Therefore, the Commission concludes that approval of the addendum is not detrimental to the public interest.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Application for Approval of an Addendum to an Approved Territorial Agreement is granted and the addendum is approved.
- 2. Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Company") may supply electricity to the structures described in the body of this decision.
 - 3. The Company may take any action reasonably necessary under paragraph 2.
 - 4. This decision is effective on December 2, 2011.
 - 5. This file shall close on December 3, 2011.

BY THE COMMISSION

(SEAL)

Steven C. Reed

Secretary

Gunn, Chm., Davis, Jarrett, and Kenney, CC., concur.

Jordan, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

⁸ Section 386.610, RSMo 2000.

Appendix

- 10.1 The parties may agree on a case-by-case basis by an Addendum hereto to allow a Structure to receive service from one party though the Structure is located in the Exclusive Service Area of the other party.
- 10.2 Such Addendum shall be filed with the Executive Secretary of the Commission in the same manner as a motion or other pleading, with a copy submitted to the Office of Public Counsel. There will be no filing fee for these addenda.
- 10.3 Each Addendum shall consist of a statement identifying the Structure, the party to serve the Structure, the justification for the Addendum, and indicating that the parties support the Addendum.
- 10.4 Each Addendum shall be accompanied by a statement, signed by the customer to be served, which acknowledges such customer's receipt of notice of the contemplated electric service to be provided and that the Addendum represents an exception to the territorial boundaries approved by the Commission and shall indicate the customer's consent to be served by the service provided contemplated by the Addendum.
- 10.5 If the Commission Staff or Office of the Public Counsel do not submit a pleading objecting to the Addendum within forty-five (45) days of the filing thereof, the Addendum shall be deemed approved by the aforesaid parties. Each Addendum shall contain a statement in bold uppercase typeface indicating that the Staff or Office of the Public Council have forty-five (45) days to oppose the Addendum or else the Addendum shall be deemed approved by the aforesaid parties.
- 10.6 Each party, pursuant to an executed Addendum, shall have the right to provide temporary service, as defined in Section 393.106 RSMo., until the Commission approves or disapproves the Addendum. No party shall be required to remove any facilities installed pursuant to an agreement until the effective date of an Order of the Commission or a court regarding the removal of same.