

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In Re: Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE's)
Filing to Adjust Rates under its Approved Fuel and) **File No. ER-2010-0165**
Purchased Power Cost Recovery Mechanism) Tariff No. YE-2010-0356
Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-20.090(4))

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF TO ADJUST RATE SCHEDULES FOR FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE

Issue Date: January 22, 2010

Effective Date: January 27, 2010

On November 25, 2009 Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE ("AmerenUE"), submitted an application and tariff designed to implement an adjustment to its Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment Clause ("FAC"). Concurrent with its application AmerenUE filed a revised tariff to implement the adjustment, bearing an effective date of January 27, 2010.

A review, from AmerenUE's original request and supporting testimony, indicates that Ameren's actual fuel cost from June 1st to September 30th was \$19,806,975 above the amount included in its current rates. After applying the 95/5% factor, AmerenUE would be authorized to collect \$18,953,587 from its customers through a FAC rider. The proposed FAC rider would be approximately fifteen cents (\$.15) on the average residential customer's bill from February 2010 through January 2011.¹

The Commission's rule regarding FACs requires the Commission to issue an order

¹ This is AmerenUE's second filing changing its FPA. AmrenUE's present FPA is a negative amount per kWh of \$.00036, \$.00035, and \$.00033 for customers receiving service at secondary, primary, and transmission voltage levels, respectively. The proposed change to the FPA results in a positive FPA of \$.00014 for the customers receiving service at secondary and primary voltage levels, and a FPA of \$.00013 for customers receiving service at the transmission voltage level.

approving or rejecting the company's tariff within 60 days of its filing.² The rule further requires the Commission's Staff to submit a recommendation within 30 days indicating whether the proposed FAC tariff complies with Section 386.266, 4 CSR 240-20.090, and the company's FAC mechanism.³

On December 23, 2009, Staff filed its recommendation indicating AmerenUE's tariff complies with the Commission's order that established the company's FAC and with all applicable statutes and regulations. Staff advises the Commission to approve AmerenUE's tariff as an interim rate adjustment, subject to true-up and prudence reviews. Staff further requests that the Commission direct AmerenUE to provide workpapers in future FAC filings to meet the following requirements:

- 1) Workpapers shall have the same level of detail as the final version of workpapers provided in this case;
- 2) Workpapers, when spreadsheets, shall be submitted electronically as Excel spreadsheets with all formulas, columns and rows intact; and
- 3) Workpapers shall be provided to all parties at the same time direct testimony is filed.

No other party has opposed Staff's recommendation, objected to the tariff, or requested a hearing.

The Commission has reviewed AmerenUE's tariff filings, and Staff's verified recommendation, and considering all relevant factors finds that the tariff sheet is in compliance with the Commission's order establishing the FAC and with all applicable statutes and regulations. Consequently, 4 CSR 240-20.090(4) requires the Commission to approve AmerenUE's tariff or allow it to go into effect by operation of law. The Commission

² Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-20.090(4).

³ *Id.*

further finds Staff's request to require AmerenUE to file the above described workpapers to be reasonable and will direct AmerenUE to comply.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The tariff issued on November 25, 2009, by Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, and assigned Tariff No. YE-2010-0356, is approved, to be effective January 27, 2010, as an interim rate adjustment, subject to true-up and prudence reviews. The tariff approved is:

MO. P.S.C. SCHEDULE No. 5

2nd Revised Sheet No. 98.7, Canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. 98.7

2. Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, is directed to comply with the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission's request for production of the workpapers, delineated in the body of this order, with its next Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment filing.

3. This order shall become effective on January 27, 2010.

4. This file shall be closed on January 28, 2010.

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BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

Harold Stearley, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority under
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 22nd day of January, 2010.