

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

Richard D. Smith,	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	Case No. EC-2007-0106
	)	
AmerenUE,	)	
Respondent.	)	

**RESPONSE TO COMMISSION ORDER DIRECTING FILING**

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE or Company), the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and the Office of Public Counsel, and state as follows:

1. On September 19, 2006, Richard D. Smith of 12787 John Smith Road, Potosi, Missouri 63166 (Complainant) initiated this Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) proceeding by filing a Complaint against AmerenUE.

2. On September 20, 2006, AmerenUE filed its Answer. Black River was joined as a party on October 17, 2006 and filed its Answer on November 15, 2006.

3. On November 21, 2006, the Commission issued its Order Setting Prehearing Conference and Directing Filing of a Proposed Procedural Schedule (Order). The Order scheduled a prehearing conference for December 6, 1006 and also required the parties to file a proposed procedural schedule no later than December 13, 2006.

4. The parties attended the Prehearing Conference as ordered and determined that a technical conference between all parties would be beneficial. The parties have scheduled the technical conference for January 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. to be held at AmerenUE's Potosi office. The parties hope that a resolution, acceptable to all parties, may be reached at the technical conference. If not, then the parties will jointly propose a procedural schedule.

5. Mr. Smith is not a signatory to this filing, but was faxed the filing and has communicated to AmerenUE that he is in support of the filing and of the date for the technical conference.

WHEREFORE, the parties ask the Commission to accept this filing in fulfillment of its November 21, 2006 Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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d/b/a AmerenUE

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Answer was served on the following parties via electronic mail (e-mail) or via regular mail on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006.

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