

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

In the Matter of an Investigation of Union Electric    )  
Company d/b/a AmerenUE's Storm Preparation and    )    Case No. EO-2007-0037  
Restoration Efforts in Eastern Missouri.            )

**STAFF'S REPORT ON UNION ELECTRIC  
COMPANY D/B/A AMERENUE'S STORM PREPARATION  
AND RESTORATION EFFORTS IN EASTERN MISSOURI**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") and, in response to the Commission's *Order Directing Staff to Investigate Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE and Setting Intervention Deadline*, issued and effective July 27, 2006, submits the attached, "**Report on AmerenUE's Storm Outage Planning and Restoration Effort Following the Storms on July 19 and 21, 2006**," prepared by the Staff following its investigation into AmerenUE's preparations and restoration efforts for the extraordinary storms that struck eastern Missouri July 19 and 21, 2006. In connection with this investigation, the Commission held six local public hearings throughout AmerenUE's service area in eastern Missouri. In addition to information the Staff obtained from AmerenUE and other sources, the Staff attended the local public hearings and considered matters raised during them both to guide the Staff's investigation and to formulate the Staff's recommendations.

While the Staff's investigation focused on AmerenUE, some of the recommendations the Staff makes in this report are applicable to other utilities.

The report commences with an executive summary that includes the Staff's recommendations followed by a description of the two storms and detailed discussion of each topic the Staff investigated.

**WHEREFORE**, the Staff respectfully files its “**Report on AmerenUE’s Storm Outage Planning and Restoration Effort Following the Storms on July 19 and 21, 2006,**” with the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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