

**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	)	<b><u>File No. ER-2010-0264</u></b>
Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery	)	Tracking No. YE-2010-0577
Mechanism Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-20.090(4).	)	

**INTERIM RATE ADJUSTMENT ORDER  
APPROVING TARIFF AND PRESCRIBING FILING FORMAT**

Issue Date: May 12, 2010

Effective Date: May 24, 2010

The Missouri Public Service Commission is approving the tariff to which the Commission assigned tracking no. YE-2010-0577 ("tariff"). The tariff increases Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE's ("AmerenUE") fuel and purchased power adjustment ("FPA") by \$1.37 per month for the average residential customer of AmerenUE. The Commission is also prescribing a filing format for AmerenUE's reports.

**A. Procedure**

The statutes allow AmerenUE:

. . . an interim energy charge, or periodic rate adjustments outside of general rate proceedings to reflect increases and decreases in its prudently incurred fuel and purchased-power costs, including transportation. [<sup>1</sup>]

Such charges and adjustments are the product of a contested case<sup>2</sup> and periodic review,<sup>3</sup> both done under Commission regulations.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Section 386.266.1, RSMo Supp. 2009.

<sup>2</sup> Section 386.266.4, RSMo Supp. 2009.

<sup>3</sup> Section 386.266.4(2) and (4), RSMo Supp. 2009.

<sup>4</sup> Section 386.266.9 and .12, RSMo Supp. 2009; 4 CSR 240-20.20.090 and 4 CSR 240-3.161.

Pursuant to those provisions, the Commission set the terms of AmerenUE's FPA<sup>5</sup> and conducted two reviews according to the following schedule:

Period	Accumulation	Recovery (billing months)
1	March 1, 2009 through May 31, 2009	October 2009 through September 2010
2	June 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009	February 1, 2010 through January 31, 2011
3	October 1, 2009 through January 31, 2010	June 1, 2010 through May 31, 2011

Period 3 is the subject of the tariff.

On March 25, 2010, AmerenUE filed the tariff with a supporting affidavit. On April 19, 2010, the Commission's staff ("Staff") filed its recommendation with supporting affidavits, and filed a clarification on April 27, 2010. The Commission received no other filings.

## **B. Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustments**

The tariff increases AmerenUE's fuel and purchased power adjustments from current levels<sup>6</sup> as follows by customer class.

\$/kWh	Secondary	Primary	Large
Proposed	0.00138	0.00133	0.00129
Current	0.00014	0.00014	0.00013
Increase	0.00124	0.00119	0.00116

<sup>5</sup> *In the Matter of Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE's Tariffs to Increase Its Annual Revenues for Electric Service*, File No. ER-2008-0318 (Order Approving Compliance Tariff Sheets, Feb. 19, 2009).

<sup>6</sup> *In Re: Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE's Filing to Adjust Rates under its Approved Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Mechanism Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-20.090(4)*, File No. ER-2010-0165 (Order Approving Tariff to Adjust Rate Schedules for Fuel Adjustment Clause, Jan. 22, 2010).

The amounts for the average residential customer are:

\$/month	average residential customer
Proposed	1.52
Current	0.15
Increase	1.37

The increase will begin with the June 1, 2010 billing month and end with the May 31, 2011 billing month.

The FPA is the difference between AmerenUE's actual fuel and purchased power costs net of off-system sales (together, "net fuel costs") and the kilowatt hours ("kWhs") sold during the period multiplied by the Net Base Fuel Costs (NBFC) in AmerenUE's tariff. During the accumulation period, a decline in off-system sales resulted in greater net fuel costs, resulting in a greater number to multiply by NBFC. The parties agree that AmerenUE's net fuel costs account for the increase because they are up by \$47,507,064, of which AmerenUE passes 95% on to its customers, as reflected in the tariff.

The tariff complies with the Commission's regulation and orders, according to Staff's recommendation. The recommendation favors granting the tariff subject to true-up and prudence reviews. Therefore, the Commission will grant such approval.

### **C. Reports**

The recommendation also asks that if AmerenUE continues to file its monthly and quarterly reports in EFIS in Adobe format, the Commission order AmerenUE to also file its past and future monthly and quarterly reports in Excel format with formulas intact and not password protected. The due date for AmerenUE to file a response was April 29, 2010.<sup>7</sup> As

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<sup>7</sup> 4 CSR 240-2.080(15).

of the date of this order, AmerenUE filed no response. Therefore, the Commission will grant that request.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The tariff assigned tracking no. YE-2010-0577 is approved to become effective on May 25, 2010.

2. The specific tariff sheet approved is:

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

**3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 98.7 cancelling 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 98.7**

3. The fuel and purchased power adjustments of Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE shall be subject to true-up and prudence reviews.

4. If AmerenUE continues to file its monthly and quarterly reports in EFIS in Adobe format, AmerenUE shall also file its past and future monthly and quarterly reports in Excel format with formulas intact and not password protected.

5. This order shall become effective on May 24, 2010.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Steven C. Reed  
Secretary

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Daniel R. E. Jordan, Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 12th day of May, 2010.