

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

In the Matter of Union Electric Company, d/b/a)	<u>File No. ER-2014-0258</u>
Ameren Missouri's Tariff to Increase Its)	Tariff No. YE-2015-0003
Revenues for Electric Service)	

**ORDER DENYING MOTION TO ADOPT JOINTLY PROPOSED
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE FOR CONSIDERATION OF
NONUNANIMOUS STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT**

Issue Date: October 22, 2014

Effective Date: October 22, 2014

On October 15, 2014, the Missouri Retailers Association, the Office of the Public Counsel, the Consumers Council of Missouri, and the Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers (MIEC) filed a proposed procedural schedule by which they would have the Commission consider their nonunanimous stipulation and agreement to give Noranda Aluminum a reduced electric rate.¹ The proposed schedule would have the parties file direct testimony on October 24, and would lead to an evidentiary hearing on November 24 and 25. On October 20, the same parties filed a motion asking the Commission to expedite its consideration of the proposed procedural schedule to allow that schedule to be approved on October 22.

In response to the motion for expedited consideration, the Commission shortened the time allowed for response to the October 15 motion to require responses to be filed by 4:00 p.m. on October 21. Staff, Ameren Missouri and the Midwest Energy Consumers

¹ That nonunanimous stipulation and agreement was filed on October 10, and has been objected to by the Commission's Staff, Ameren Missouri, and the Midwest Energy Consumers Group. Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.0115(2)(C) states "A nonunanimous stipulation and agreement to which a timely objection has been filed shall be considered to be merely a position of the signatory parties to the stipulated position, except that no party shall be bound by it. All issues shall remain for determination after hearing."

Group filed timely responses explaining that they oppose establishment of a separate procedural schedule to consider the matters addressed in the opposed nonunanimous stipulation and agreement. The Commission discussed the motion to establish a separate procedural schedule to consider the nonunanimous stipulation and agreement at its public agenda meeting on October 22.

The motion will be denied.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Motion to Adopt Jointly Proposed Procedural Schedule for Consideration of Nonunanimous Stipulation and Agreement is denied.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 22nd day of October, 2014.