

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its Office in Jefferson City, Missouri on the 13th day of April, 2022.

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a)
Ameren Missouri's 3rd Filing to Implement)
Regulatory Changes in Furtherance of Energy) **File No. EO-2018-0211**
Efficiency as Allowed by MEEIA)
)

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a)
Ameren Missouri's Tariffs 2022 Integrated) **File No. EO-2022-0100**
Resource Plan Annual Updates)
)

ORDER REGARDING PUBLIC COUNSEL'S MOTION

Issue Date: April 13, 2022

Effective Date: April 13, 2022

The Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) filed a motion on March 14, 2022, expressing concern that Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri (Ameren Missouri) has informed stakeholders that it intends to rely on data from its 2019 market potential study rather than its yet to be completed 2022 market potential study to support its 2024-2026 Missouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act (MEEIA) application. Public Counsel asks the Commission to either order Ameren Missouri to use its 2022 market potential study to support its 2024-2026 MEEIA application, or to provide written or verbal affirmation that the Commission agrees with Public Counsel's concerns. Ameren Missouri responded to Public Counsel's motion on March 24, 2022. The Commission's Staff (Staff) responded on March 29, 2022.

Ameren Missouri correctly points out that Public Counsel's concerns about support for Ameren Missouri's 2024-2026 MEEIA application are not yet ripe for decision. Public

Counsel has filed its motion in File No. EO-2018-0211, the file established to consider Ameren Missouri's 2019-2024 MEEIA plan, and File No. EO-2022-0100, the file established to consider Ameren Missouri's 2021 annual update for its Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). Neither file is directly related to the Commission's consideration of Ameren Missouri's 2024-2026 MEEIA plan. Ameren Missouri has not yet filed for approval of its 2024-2026 MEEIA Plan, and thus the appropriateness of the support it may offer for that plan is not yet before the Commission.

As a result, the Commission must deny Public Counsel's motion. Nevertheless, the matters raised in Public Counsel's motion do cause the Commission concern. It is important that Ameren Missouri's 2024-2026 MEEIA application be supported by appropriate and timely information. Ameren Missouri's response explains that it has started working toward completion of a new market potential study, but that such study will likely not be completed until March 2023. Meanwhile, Ameren Missouri intends to file for approval of its 2024-2026 MEEIA plan before the end of 2022 so it can have a new Commission-approved MEEIA plan in place by January 1, 2024. As Staff explains in its response, if the updated market potential study is to be used to support the 2024-2026 MEEIA plan, then the completion date of the market potential study must be pushed forward, or the filing date for the application for approval of the 2024-2026 MEEIA plan pushed back, or some combination of the two.

The Commission will not attempt to impose such adjustments on the parties, but will encourage the parties to work together to devise a timeline that will be acceptable to all.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Public Counsel's *Motion for Commission Order* 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

Silvey, Chm., Rupp, Coleman, Holsman, and
Kolkmeier CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 13th day of April, 2022.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

April 13, 2022

File/Case No. EO-2022-0100 and EO-2018-0211

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



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