

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

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a)
AmerenUE for Authority to File Tariffs)
Increasing Rates for Electric Service Provided)
to Customers in the Company's Missouri)
Service Area.)

Case No. ER-2008-0318

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel and for its Request for Extension of time states as follows:

1. On May 29, 2008, the Commission adopted a procedural schedule that calls for parties (other than AmerenUE) to file direct testimony on revenue requirement issues on August 28, 2008.
2. Ryan Kind, a chief economist for Public Counsel, has been preparing and is planning to file direct testimony, primarily dealing with the appropriate level of off-system sales margins to use in calculating rates. Mr. Kind has just had a death in the family, and will be out of the office all this week, as well as having been out several days last week. As a result, he has not been able to complete his direct testimony.
3. Public Counsel seeks an extension of one week (until September 4, 2008) to file Mr. Kind's revenue requirement direct testimony. Public Counsel has conferred with AmerenUE, and AmerenUE has advised Public Counsel that it does not object to this request. Granting this extension would still afford other parties forty days to review Mr. Kind's testimony and prepare rebuttal. While forty days would appear to be sufficient, Public Counsel would not oppose another party's request for an extension in the rebuttal testimony filing date made

necessary by the delay in filing Mr. Kind's direct testimony.

WHEREFORE, Public Counsel respectfully requests that the Commission grant this extension of time and allow Public Counsel witness Ryan Kind to file revenue requirement direct testimony on September 4, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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