

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a )  
Ameren Missouri's 2020 Utility Resource )  
Filing Pursuant to 20 CSR 4240 – Chapter 22 )

**File No. EO-2021-0021**

## ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

Issue Date: October 20, 2020

Effective Date: October 20, 2020

Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri filed its 2020 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) on September 27, 2020.<sup>1</sup> On October 7, Sierra Club applied to intervene. More than ten days have passed and no party has opposed that application.<sup>2</sup>

At the time it filed its IRP, Ameren Missouri also filed a motion for protective order that asks the Commission to place limits on which persons associated with Sierra Club should be allowed to view confidential information included in the IRP filing. Specifically, Ameren Missouri asks that Sierra Club employees, consultants, attorneys, witnesses, agents or representatives of any kind who are involved in any way with particular ongoing litigation in federal court be forbidden to view confidential materials in this IRP file that are related to that litigation. The requested protective order would not bar Sierra Club's legal counsel in this case from viewing the confidential material. Sierra Club responded in opposition to that motion on October 7, and Ameren Missouri replied on October 19.

The Commission will rule on the motion for protective order in a separate order. However, once Sierra Club is made a party, its representatives associated with this case will be able to view confidential information. The parties are reminded that Commission

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<sup>1</sup> All dates refer to 2020, unless otherwise indicated.

<sup>2</sup> Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.080(13) allows parties ten days to respond to any pleading unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.135(4)(A) provides that while a motion for protective order is pending, the disclosing party requesting greater protection will be afforded the protection sought. In other words, the protective order requested by Ameren Missouri is effectively in place until the Commission addresses Ameren Missouri's motion and the parties are obligated to comply with the enhanced protection described in that requested order.

Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.075(3) provides that the Commission may grant a motion to intervene if it finds that the proposed intervenor has an interest that differs from that of the general public and that may be adversely affected by the final order arising from the case, or if granting the proposed intervention would serve the public interest. The Commission finds that allowing Sierra Club to participate in the review of Ameren Missouri's IRP will serve the public interest. The Commission will grant Sierra Club's application to intervene.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Application to Intervene of the Sierra Club is granted.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.