

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 17th day of May, 2012.

A Working Case to Investigate)
Plans to Build Electric Transmission) **File No. EW-2012-0369**
in Ameren Missouri's Service Territory)

**ORDER OPENING AN INVESTIGATION INTO PLANS FOR
CONSTRUCTION OF ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION WITHIN AMEREN
MISSOURI'S SERVICE TERRITORY**

Issue Date: May 17, 2012

Effective Date: May 17, 2012

In its report and order authorizing Ameren Missouri to continue the transfer of functional control of its transmission system to the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. - File No. EO-2011-0128 - the Commission indicated it would open a case to investigate plans during the next ten years for Ameren Missouri, or another Ameren affiliate to build transmission in Ameren Missouri's service territory. This is that case.

To further study this question, the Commission will direct its Staff to lead a working group to investigate and to draft a report describing its findings. The working group shall complete its investigation and submit its report no later than nine months after the effective date of this order. The working group shall include the parties to File Number EO-2011-0128, which are Ameren Missouri, the Staff of the Commission, the Office of the Public Counsel, the Midwest ISO, The Empire District Electric Company, the Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers (MIEC), Southwest Power Pool, Inc, and the Missouri Joint Municipal

Electrical Utility Commission (MJMEUC). Any additional interested parties may apply to the Commission to be included in the working group.

This file shall serve as a repository for documents and comments. Using this file, any person with an interest in this matter may view documents and may submit any pertinent responsive comments or documents. As this is not a contested case, any person may file a comment without counsel and without *ex parte* constraints (arising from this matter). Intervention requests are not necessary to submit comments or view documents.

The public is welcome to submit comments by forwarding electronic communications through the Commission's electronic filing and information system (EFIS) or by mailing written comments. You may submit electronic comments at the Commission's website at <http://www.psc.mo.gov>. (Click on the EFIS/Case filings link on the left side of the page. Scroll down and click on the public comment link. Please refer to File No.EW-2012-0369) Written comments in hard copy should be addressed to the Commission at P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 and should also reference File No. EW-2012-0369. The public can view the contents of the file by following the link at <http://www.psc.mo.gov>.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The working group led by Commission's Staff shall investigate and file a report regarding plans during the next ten years for Ameren Missouri, or another Ameren affiliate to build transmission in Ameren Missouri's service territory. The working group shall file its final report no later than February 17, 2013.
2. This case is established as a repository for documents and comments regarding the investigation and report.

3. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

(S E A L)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Reed', is positioned above the printed name of the Secretary.

**Steven C. Reed
Secretary**

Gunn, Chm., Jarrett and Kenney, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge