

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

In the Matter of the Application of Union)
Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri for)
Approval to Expand Its Community Solar)
Pilot Program and Associated Tariff) **File No. ET-2020-0022**

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO SUSPEND TARIFF SHEETS

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”) and for its *Staff Recommendation to Suspend Tariff Sheets*, states as follows:

1. On November 25, 2019, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren”) filed an *Application for Approval to Expand Community Solar Pilot Program and Associated Tariff*.

2. On March 30, 2020, the Commission ordered Staff to file, no later than April 2, 2020, either a recommendation or alternate pleading, including a request to further suspend the tariff if Staff believes that more time is needed to continue negotiations.

3. Per Section 393.150.1 RSMo (2016), the Commission may suspend the operation and defer the use of a schedule filed by an electrical corporation stating a new form of agreement or practice relating to any rate, charge or service, but not for a period longer than 120 days beyond when such schedule would otherwise have gone into effect.

4. Further, Section 393.150.2 RSMo (2016) gives the Commission discretion to extend the time of suspension for “a further period not to extend six months.”

5. In order to give the parties time to conclude any remaining discussions, and allow Staff to better determine its *Recommendation* to the Commission, Staff requests

that the Commission extend the effective date of the tariff sheets another 30 days, from April 24, 2020 to May 25, 2020.¹

6. Staff has spoken to both of the other parties involved in this matter, Ameren and Renew Missouri Advocates d/b/a Renew Missouri. Neither party objects to Staff's recommendation to further suspend the tariff in order to continue negotiations.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits this *Staff Recommendation to Suspend Tariff Sheets* for the Commission's information and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile, or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 2nd day of April 2020.

/s/ Travis J. Pringle

¹ The 30th day would actually fall on May 24, 2020, which is a Sunday. Per 20 CSR 4240-2.050(1), the period would run through the end of the following day, which would be May 25, 2020.