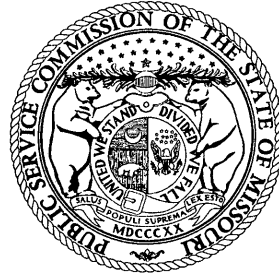


Notice of *Ex Parte* Contact

TO: Data Center
All Parties in Case No. **ER-2008-0318**

FROM: Chairman Jeff Davis
Commissioner Connie Murray
Commissioner Terry Jarrett
Commissioner Kevin Gunn



DATE: September 15, 2008

On Monday, September 15, 2008 the commissioners listed above received the attached storm press release from Gaye Suggett of Ameren. This case, **ER-2008-0318**, is a contested case. The Commission is bound by its *ex parte* rule, and, we are therefore giving notice to the parties this communication has been received.

Although communications from members of the public and members of the legislature are always welcome, those communications must be made known to all parties to a contested case so that those parties have the opportunity to respond. According to the Commission's rules (4 CSR 240-4.020(8)), when a communication from any person interested in a case (either oral or written) occurs outside the hearing process, any member of the Commission or Regulatory Law Judge who received the communication shall prepare a written report concerning the communication and submit it to each member of the Commission and the parties to the case. The report shall identify the person(s) who participated in the *ex parte* communication, the circumstances which resulted in the communication, the substance of the communication, and the relationship of the communication to a particular matter at issue before the Commission.

Therefore, we submit this report pursuant to the rules cited above. This will ensure that any party to this case will have notice of the attached information and a full and fair opportunity to respond to the comments contained therein.

cc: Commissioners
Executive Director
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
General Counsel

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From: Suggett, Gaye L [GSuggett@ameren.com]
Sent: Monday, September 15, 2008 11:50 AM
To: Davis, Jeff; Murray, Connie; Gunn, Kevin; Jarrett, Terry; Mantle, Lena; Beck, Dan; Kremer, Lisa; Fred, Gay; Mills, Lewis
Cc: Kidwell, Stephen M
Subject: FW: AmerenUE Crews Restore Power to More Than 75,000 Customers in 24 Hours
Attachments: Storm Update noon 9-15-08.doc

Attached is the press release issued at 11:30 today with an update on restoration efforts. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

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From: Lindemann, Brianne C
Sent: Monday, September 15, 2008 11:25 AM
Subject: AmerenUE Crews Restore Power to More Than 75,000 Customers in 24 Hours

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STORM UPDATE: 11:30 A.M., Sept. 15, 2008

AmerenUE Crews Restore Power to More Than 75,000 Customers in 24 Hours

St. Louis, MO (Sept. 15, 2008) – AmerenUE crews restored more than 75,000 Missouri customers in the 24 hours since storms from Hurricane Ike hit the area with winds of up to 60 miles per hour. More than two-thirds of the customers in St. Louis City and County who were out of power last night have been restored, leaving approximately 9,000 still out of power this morning. Most St. Louis City and County customers are expected to be restored today.

In addition to 500 Metro area employees, 100 UE employees from Central and Northern Missouri are supporting restoration efforts.

Half of the more than 30,000 affected customers living outside St. Louis City and County have been restored to power. Most of the out-state customers who are still out of power are in Southeast Missouri, with Scott and Cape Girardeau counties among the hardest hit.

Three fully equipped storm trailers have been deployed in Southeast Missouri to give crews the tools they need where they are working, and the number of people committed to restoring Southeast Missouri customers will more than double by end of day today.

Flooding and downed lines have resulted in safety hazards. Customers should stay away from downed lines and report them by calling 911 or AmerenUE at 1-800-552-7583 or 314-342-1000. Flood safety tips and other information are available on the Ameren Web site (www.ameren.com).

With residential electric retail rates that are more than 40 percent below the national average, UE provides electricity and natural gas to 1.2 million customers in Missouri. UE's parent, Ameren Corporation, through its affiliates, serves 2.4 million electric and nearly 1 million natural gas customers across 64,000 square miles of Missouri and

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