Notice of Ex Parte Contact

TO:

Data Center

All Parties in Case No. ER-20/18

FROM:

Chairman Jeff Davis

Commissioner Connie Murray

Commissioner Terry Jarrett

Commissioner Kevin Gunn

DATE:

September 16, 2008



On Tuesday, September 16, 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

## Neuner, Joyce

From:

Gunn, Kevin

Sent:

Tuesday, September 16, 2008 10:12 AM

To:

Neuner, Joyce

Subject:

FW: Storm Restoration Wraps Up Today in St. Louis

Attachments: Storm Update 9-16-08 call in request.doc

From: Suggett, Gaye L [mailto:GSuggett@ameren.com]

Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2008 9:44 AM

To: Davis, Jeff; Murray, Connie; Gunn, Kevin; Jarrett, Terry; Henderson, Wess; Dietrich, Natelle\*; Mantle, Lena; Beck, Dan; Mills,

Lewis; Fred, Gay; Kremer, Lisa

Cc: Kidwell, Stephen M

Subject: FW: Storm Restoration Wraps Up Today in St. Louis

Attached please find the press release regarding storm restoration wrap up. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me

know. Thank you Gaye

From: Lindemann, Brianne C

Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2008 9:35 AM

Subject: Storm Restoration Wraps Up Today in St. Louis

Contacts:

Susan Gallagher 314-554-2175

STORM UPDATE: 9:00 A.M., Sept. 16, 2008

(For distribution to St. Louis Media)

## STORM RESTORATION WRAPS UP TODAY IN ST. LOUIS

Amerenue NEEDS THOSE ST. LOUIS CUSTOMERS WHO ARE STILL OUT OF POWER TO CALL IN

(PLEASE BROADCAST, PRINT AND PLACE ON WEB SITES: )

ANY ST. LOUIS AREA AMERENUE CUSTOMERS WHO ARE STILL OUT OF POWER DUE TO THE SUNDAY, SEPT. 14, STORM OR WHO SEE A DOWNED WIRE SHOULD CALL 1-800-552-7583. AS A STORM OF THIS SIZE WRAPS UP, UE WANTS TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL CUSTOMER OUTAGES ARE ACCOUNTED FOR.

UE expresses thanks and deep appreciation to all customers for their patience and support during storm restoration. Thanks also go to UE employees for their hard work on the storm.

NOTE: All assigned crews will stay on the job in the St. Louis area throughout the rest of the day and into the evening to do clean-up and handle any additional outages that may occur.

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## **STATUS UPDATE:**

- > 1,500 customers in St. City and County remain out of power of the more than 60,000 St. Louis city and county customers affected by Sunday's storm. Almost all power in the city and county will be restored today.
- Approximately 6,800 customers are still out of power in Southeast Missouri where nearly 800 workers from three other utility companies and other parts of the UE service territory join UE employees in Southeast Missouri to get power restored. Power should be restored for almost all Southeast Missouri customers by tomorrow. Restoration for a few isolated Southeast Missouri areas may extend into Thursday.
- > The Storm Center on Ameren's Web site offers facts about restoration and other topics.
- The site also offers tips on electrical and flood safety.
- Go to www.ameren.com.

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