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CASE NO: EM-2001-695

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

**Dale Hardy Roberts** 

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

# OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Union Electric Company and Lewis County Rural Electric Cooperative for an Order Approving the Change in Electric Supplier for Reasons in the Public Interest and Authorizing the Sale, Transfer and Assignment of Certain Electric Distribution Facilities, Easements and other Rights Generally from Union Electric Company to Lewis County Rural Electric Cooperative

Case No. EM-2001-695

### ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND REQUIRING FILING OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On June 26, 2001, the Commission issued an Order Directing Notice and setting an intervention period ending August 24, 2001. No applications for intervention were filed. This order sets a prehearing conference and directs the filing of a procedural schedule.

#### Prehearing Conference and Proposed Procedural Schedule:

The Commission will convene a prehearing conference on September 28, 2001. The parties should use the intervening time to identify the issues that may affect them or the public generally and that may require the Commission's consideration or decision. At the prehearing conference, the parties' representatives should be prepared to engage in further discussions of the issues and to cooperate to resolve or mitigate the issues as well as to develop a joint proposed procedural schedule in the event the parties are unable to resolve the issues between them.

The parties shall jointly file the proposed procedural schedule. The proposed procedural schedule shall establish dates for the prefiling of direct, rebuttal and surrebuttal testimony according to Commission rule, the filing of a joint list of issues, a statement by each party of its position on each issue, a list of witnesses including the order in which they will be called and the date on which each witness shall appear, and an agreed order of cross-examination.

The proposed procedural schedule shall also establish dates for a hearing in this matter. The parties should be aware that even if the issues between them are resolved the Commission might provide for additional public input, if necessary or requested, and may hold a hearing for presentations by the parties and questions by the Commission.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That a prehearing conference shall be held on September 28, 2001, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The prehearing will be held at the Commission's offices in Room 305 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, a building that meets the accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If any person needs additional accommodations to participate in this prehearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or 1-800-829-7541 (TDD) prior to the hearing.
- 2. That the parties shall jointly prepare and file a proposed procedural schedule no later than October 5, 2001.

3. That this order shall become effective on September 21, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Keith Thornburg, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 14th of September, 2001.

### STATE OF MISSOURI

#### OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,

Missouri, this 14th day of Sept. 2001.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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