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I received my J.D. from the University of Missouri, Columbia, in 2007, and am licensed to practice law in the State of Missouri. I received my B.S. in Historic Preservation from Southeast Missouri State University, and took courses in architecture and literature at Drury University. Since beginning my employment with the MoPSC I have taken courses in economics through Columbia College and courses in energy transmission through Bismarck State College, and have attended various trainings and seminars, indicated below.

I began my employment with the Commission in May 2006 as an intern in what was then known as the General Counsel's Office. I was hired as a Legal Counsel in September 2007, and was promoted to Associate Counsel in 2009, and Senior Counsel in 2011. During that time my duties consisted of leading major rate case litigation and settlement, and presenting Staff's position to the Commission, and providing legal advice and assistance primarily in the areas of depreciation, cost of service, class cost of service, rate design, tariff issues, resource planning, accounting authority orders, construction audits, rulemakings and workshops, fuel adjustment clauses, document management and retention, and customer complaints.

In July 2013 I was hired as a Regulatory Economist III in what is now known as the Tariff/ Rate Design Department. In this position my duties include providing analysis and recommendations in the areas of RTO and ISO transmission, rate design, class cost of service, tariff compliance and design, and regulatory adjustment mechanisms and tariff design. I also continue to provide legal advice and assistance regarding generating station and environmental control construction audits and electric utility regulatory depreciation. I have also participated before the Commission under the name Sarah L. Kliethermes.

Presentations

Midwest Energy Policy Series – Impact of ToU Rates on Energy Efficiency (August 14, 2020)

Billing Determinants Lunch and Learn (March 27, 2019)

Support for Low Income and Income Eligible Customers, Cost-Reflective Tariff Training, in cooperation with U.S.A.I.D. and NARUC, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (February 23-26, 2016)

Fundamentals of Ratemaking at the MoPSC (October 8, 2014)

Ratemaking Basics (Sept. 14, 2012)

Participant in Missouri's Comprehensive Statewide Energy Plan working group on Energy Pricing and Rate Setting Processes.

Relevant Trainings and Seminars

Regional Training on Integrated Distribution System Planning for Midwest/MISO Region
(October 13-15, 2020)

“Fundamentals of Utility Law” Scott Hempling lecture series (January – April, 2019)

Today's U.S. Electric Power Industry, the Smart Grid, ISO Markets & Wholesale Power Transactions (July 29-30, 2014)

MISO Markets & Settlements training for OMS and ERSC Commissioners & Staff (January 27–28, 2014)

Validating Settlement Charges in New SPP Integrated Marketplace (July 22, 2013)

PSC Transmission Training (May 14 – 16, 2013)

Grid School (March 4–7, 2013)

Specialized Technical Training - Electric Transmission (April 18–19, 2012)

The New Energy Markets: Technologies, Differentials and Dependencies (June 16, 2011)

Mid-American Regulatory Conference Annual Meeting (June 5–8, 2011)

Renewable Energy Finance Forum (Sept. 29–Oct 3, 2010)

Utility Basics (Oct. 14–19, 2007)

Testimony and Staff Memoranda

<u>Company</u>	<u>Case No.</u>
Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West In the Matter of the Joint Application of Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West for Approval of Tariff Revisions to TOU Program	ET-2024-0061
Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West In the Matter of Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro's Request to Revise Its Solar Subscription Rider	EO-2023-0423 EO-2023-0424
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariffs to Adjust its Revenues for Electric Service	ER-2022-0337
NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, LLC In the Matter of the Application of NextEra Energy Transmission Southwest, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Maintain, and Otherwise Control and Manage a 345 kV Transmission Line and associated facilities in Barton and Jasper Counties, Missouri	EA-2022-0234
Spire Missouri, Inc. In the Matter of Spire Missouri Inc.'s d/b/a Spire Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Natural Gas Service Provided in the Company's Missouri Service Areas	GR-2022-0179
Evergy Missouri West, Inc. dba Evergy Missouri West In the Matter of Evergy Missouri West, Inc. dba Evergy Missouri West for a Financing Order Authorizing the Financing of Extraordinary Storm Costs Through an Issuance of Securitized Utility Tariff Bonds	EF-2022-0155
Evergy Metro, Inc. dba Evergy Missouri Metro Evergy Missouri West, Inc. dba Evergy Missouri West In the Matter of Evergy Metro, Inc. dba Evergy Missouri Metro's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service. In the Matter of Evergy Missouri West, Inc. dba Evergy Missouri West's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service.	ER-2022-0129 ER-2022-0130
The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty In the Matter of the Petition of The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty to Obtain a Financing Order that Authorizes the Issuance of Securitized Utility Tariff Bonds for Energy Transition Costs Related to the Asbury Plant	EO-2022-0193
The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty In the Matter of the Petition of The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty to Obtain a Financing Order that Authorizes the Issuance of Securitized Utility Tariff Bonds for Qualified Extraordinary Costs	EO-2022-0040

<u>Company</u>	<u>Case No.</u>
Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois In the Matter of the Application of Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Under Section 393.170 RSMo Relating to Transmission Investments in Southeast Missouri	EA-2022-0099
The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty In the Matter of the Request of The Empire District Electric Company d/b/a Liberty for Authority to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers in its Missouri Service Area	ER-2021-0312
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariffs to Adjust its Revenues for Electric Service	ER-2021-0240
Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois In the Matter of the Application of Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Maintain, and Otherwise Control and Manage a 138 kV Transmission Line and associated facilities in Perry and Cape Girardeau Counties, Missouri	EA-2021-0087
Evergy Affiliates In the Matter of the Application of Evergy Metro, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West, Inc. d/b/a Evergy Missouri West for Approval of a Transportation Electrification Portfolio	ET-2021-0151
Spire Missouri, Inc. In the Matter of Spire Missouri Inc.'s d/b/a Spire Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Natural Gas Service Provided in the Company's Missouri Service Areas	GR-2021-0108
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of the Request of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren for Approval of its Surge Protection Program	ET-2021-0082
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of the Request of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri to Implement the Delivery Charge Adjustment for the 1st Accumulation Period beginning September 1, 2019 and ending August 31, 2020	GT-2021-0055
The Empire District Electric Company In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's Tariffs Approval of a Transportation Electrification Portfolio for Electric Customers in its Missouri Service Area	ET-2020-0390
The Empire District Electric Company In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's Tariffs to Increase Its Revenues for Electric Service	ER-2019-0374
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariffs to Decrease Its Revenues for Electric Service	ER-2019-0335

<u>Company</u>	<u>Case No.</u>
KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company Request for Authority to Implement Rate Adjustments Required by 4 CSR 240-20.090(8) And the Company's Approved Fuel and Purchased Power Cost Recovery Mechanism	ER-2019-0413
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariffs to Increase Its Revenues for Natural Gas Service	GR-2019-0077
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri Revised Tariff Sheets	ET-2019-0149
The Empire District Electric Company In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's Revised Economic Development Rider Tariff Sheets	ET-2019-0029
The Empire District Electric Company In the Matter of a Proceeding Under Section 393.137 (SB 564) to Adjust the Electric Rates of The Empire District Electric Company	ER-2018-0366
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri for Permission and Approval and a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Construct a Wind Generation Facility	EA-2018-0202
Kansas City Power & Light Company KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service	ER-2018-0145 ER-2018-0146
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri for Approval of Efficient Electrification Program	ET-2018-0132
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri for Approval of 2017 Green Tariff	ET-2018-0063
Laclede Gas Company Laclede Gas Company d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company's Request to Increase Its Revenue for Gas Service, In the Matter of Laclede Gas Company d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy's Request to Increase Its Revenue for Gas Service.	GR-2017-0215 GR-2017-0216
Kansas City Power & Light Company In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Demand Side Investment Rider Rate Adjustment And True-Up Required by 4 CSR 240-3.163(8)	ER-2017-0316
Kansas City Power & Light Company In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Demand Side Investment Rider Rate Adjustment And True-Up Required by 4 CSR 240-3.163(8)	ER-2017-0167
KCP&L Great Missouri Operations Company In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Annual RESRAM Tariff Filing	ET-2017-0097

<u>Company</u>	<u>Case No.</u>
Grain Belt Express Clean Line, LLC In the Matter of the Application of Grain Belt Express Clean Line LLC for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Authorizing It to Construct, Own, Operate, Control, Manage, and Maintain a High Voltage, Direct Current Transmission Line and an Associated Converter Station Providing an Interconnection on the Maywood - Montgomery 345 kV Transmission Line	EA-2016-0358
Kansas City Power & Light Company In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Demand Side Investment Rider Rate Adjustment And True-Up Required by 4 CSR 240-3.163(8)	ER-2016-0325
Kansas City Power & Light Company In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Request for Authority to Implement A General Rate Increase for Electric Service	ER-2016-0285
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri for Permission and Approval and a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Offer a Pilot Subscriber Solar Program and File Associated Tariff	EA-2016-0207
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariff to Increase Its Revenues for Electric Service	ER-2016-0179
KCP&L Great Missouri Operations Company In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service	ER-2016-0156
Empire District Electric Company In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service	ER-2016-0023
Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois In the Matter of the Application of Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois for Other Relief or, in the Alternative, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Maintain and Otherwise Control and Manage a 345,000-volt Electric Transmission Line from Palmyra, Missouri to the Iowa Border and an Associated Substation Near Kirksville, Missouri	EA-2015-0146
Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois In the Matter of the Application of Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois for Other Relief or, in the Alternative, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Maintain and Otherwise Control and Manage a 345,000-volt Electric Transmission Line in Marion County, Missouri and an Associated Switching Station Near Palmyra, Missouri	EA-2015-0145
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's 2nd Filing to Implement Regulatory Changes in Furtherance of Energy Efficiency as Allowed by MEEIA	EO-2015-0055
Kansas City Power & Light Company In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service	ER-2014-0370

<u>Company</u>	<u>Case No.</u>
Empire District Electric Company In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company for Authority to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers in the Company's Missouri Service Area	ER-2014-0351
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri City of O'Fallon, Missouri, and City of Ballwin, Missouri, Complainants v. Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri, Respondent	EC-2014-0316
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariff to Increase Its Revenues for Electric Service	ER-2014-0258
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri Noranda Aluminum, Inc., et al., Complainants, v. Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri, Respondent	EC-2014-0224
Grain Belt Express Clean Line, LLC In the Matter of the Application of Grain Belt Express Clean Line LLC for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Authorizing It to Construct, Own, Operate, Control, Manage, and Maintain a High Voltage, Direct Current Transmission Line and an Associated Converter Station Providing an Interconnection on the Maywood - Montgomery 345 kV Transmission Line	EA-2014-0207
KCP&L Great Missouri Operations Company In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Application for Authority to Establish a Renewable Energy Standard Rate Adjustment Mechanism	EO-2014-0151
Kansas City Power & Light Company In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Filing for Approval of Demand-Side Programs and for Authority to Establish A Demand-Side Programs Investment Mechanism	EO-2014-0095
Veolia Energy Kansas City, Inc. In the Matter of Veolia Energy Kansas City, Inc. for Authority to File Tariffs to Increase Rates	HR-2014-0066

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1 **MPSC 0045**

2 Separately, for each facility, as of July 10, 2023, what are the estimated total annual property
3 taxes for the facility and interconnection? Please explain how these amounts are expected to
4 vary or be held constant over the life of the facility. If these estimates are available as itemized,
5 please provide in that form. If this information was included in direct testimony, please state
6 the amount included in direct testimony, the location of the information in direct testimony, and
7 the reason for the change in amount. Please update this DR for changes in amounts, if any, as
8 of the first and fifteenth of each month. If any clarification is required concerning this data
9 request, please contact Sarah Lange. Sarah Lange (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE
10 Prepared By: Jordan Blackhurst; Lindsey Forsberg Title: Manager, Commercial Contracts;
11 Renewable Energy Strategy Consultant Date: 07/17/2023 Subject to the Company's objection:
12 The property taxes (or PILOT payment in lieu of property taxes) are included within the project
13 model for each year of the project's expected life. Please see the following files provided as part
14 of Matt Michels' direct testimony workpapers and refer to the tab titled, "Inputs": • Invenergy
15 Split Rail ITC_Highly Confidential • Invenergy Split Rail PTC_Highly Confidential • Savion
16 Cass County ITC_Highly Confidential • Savion Cass County PTC_Highly Confidential •
17 Vandalia Solar ITC_Highly Confidential • Vandalia Solar PTC_Highly Confidential • Bowling
18 Green Solar ITC_Highly Confidential • Bowling Green Solar PTC_Highly Confidential

19 **MPSC 0047**

20 Separately, for each facility, as of July 10, 2023, What are the estimated annual operating
21 expenses expected for year 1 of operation? Please explain how these amounts are expected to
22 vary or be held constant over the life of the facility. If these estimates are available as itemized,
23 please provide in that form. If this information was included in direct testimony, please state
24 the amount included in direct testimony, the location of the information in direct testimony, and
25 the reason for the change in amount. Please update this DR for changes in amounts, if any, as
26 of the first and fifteenth of each month. If any clarification is required concerning this data
27 request, please contact Sarah Lange. Sarah Lange (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE
28 Prepared By: Lindsey Forsberg Title: Renewable Energy Strategy Consultant Date: 07/18/2023
29 Subject to the Company's objection: The information was included in the workpapers
30 underlying Matt Michels' direct testimony. Specially, please refer to the 'Inputs' tab of each
31 project model in the associated Matt Michels direct testimony workpapers provided to Staff on
32 June 21, 2023 (filenames listed below), which show operating expense estimates by year. •
33 Invenergy Split Rail ITC_Highly Confidential • Invenergy Split Rail PTC_Highly Confidential
34 • Savion Cass County ITC_Highly Confidential • Savion Cass County PTC_Highly
35 Confidential • Vandalia Solar ITC_Highly Confidential • Vandalia Solar PTC_Highly
36 Confidential • Bowling Green Solar ITC_Highly Confidential • Bowling Green Solar
37 PTC_Highly Confidential

38 **MPSC 0049**

39 Separately, for each facility, as of July 10, 2023, What are the estimated income tax benefits,
40 for each income tax benefit available, for year 1 of operation? Please explain how these amounts
41 are expected to vary or be held constant over the life of the facility. If these estimates are

1 available as itemized, please provide in that form. If this information was included in direct
2 testimony, please state the amount included in direct testimony, the location of the information
3 in direct testimony, and the reason for the change in amount. Please update this DR for changes
4 in amounts, if any, as of the first and fifteenth of each month. If any clarification is required
5 concerning this data request, please contact Sarah Lange. Sarah Lange
6 (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE Prepared By: Jordan Blackhurst Title: Manager,
7 Commercial Transactions Date: 07/18/23 Please refer to the 'Results Summary' tab in the
8 project model workpapers provided to Staff associated with Matt Michels' direct testimony,
9 which show ITC or PTC value by year. • Invenergy Split Rail ITC_Highly Confidential •
10 Invenergy Split Rail PTC_Highly Confidential • Savion Cass County ITC_Highly Confidential
11 • Savion Cass County PTC_Highly Confidential • Vandalia Solar ITC_Highly Confidential •
12 Vandalia Solar PTC_Highly Confidential • Bowling Green Solar ITC_Highly Confidential •
13 Bowling Green Solar PTC_Highly Confidential

14 **MPSC 0053S1**

15 Separately, for each facility, as of July 10, 2023, What is the anticipated annual generation, year
16 1, at point of interconnection, in AC? Please explain how these amounts are expected to vary
17 or be held constant over the life of the facility. If this information was included in direct
18 testimony, please state the amount included in direct testimony, the location of the information
19 in direct testimony, and the reason for the change in amount. Please update this DR for changes
20 in amounts, if any, as of the first and fifteenth of each month. If any clarification is required
21 concerning this data request, please contact Sarah Lange. Sarah Lange
22 (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE Prepared By: Lindsey Forsberg Title: Strategy
23 Consultant, Renewable Energy Development Date: July 31, 2023 The anticipated annual
24 generation values for year 1, labeled "Annual MWh" in Schedule MM-D14, are at the point of
25 interconnection and therefore can be considered AC. Please refer to tab "Data Entry" row 209
26 for ongoing annual AC generation estimates, labeled by year, with the impact of degradation
27 included.

28 **MPSC 0056**

29 Separately, for each facility, based on the information available as of July 10, 2023, Will the
30 facility be treated as generation or as offset to load for purposes of allocation of MISO
31 expenses/tariffs? If this information was included in direct testimony, please state the expected
32 treatment described in direct testimony, the location of the information in direct testimony, and
33 the reason for the change in amount. Please update this DR for changes, if any, as of the first
34 and fifteenth of each month. If any clarification is required concerning this data request, please
35 contact Sarah Lange. Sarah Lange (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE Prepared By:
36 Andrew Meyer Title: Sr. Director, Energy Management & Trading Date: 07/24/2023 Subject
37 to the Company's objection, 1. Split Rail, through MISO's Generator Interconnection Process,
38 will be registered with MISO's Network Model as a Generation Resource. Additionally, Split
39 Rail will be registered as part of MISO's Commercial Model, capable of responding to dispatch
40 instructions and receiving its own unique market settlements. Split Rail will also qualify as a
41 Planning Resource, eligible to participate in MISO's Planning Resource Auction for Capacity
42 (PRA.) 2. Cass County – (Similar to Split Rail above) 3. Bowling Green will be registered
43 "Behind the Meter," as a Load Modifying Resource (LMR). LMRs are required to respond to

1 MISO deployment instructions under certain system conditions, but because it is a solar
2 resource, its natural state will be to generate whenever there is irradiance. Bowling Green will
3 not be specifically registered with MISO's Network and Commercial models, but rather act as
4 an offset to the existing AMMO.UE CPNode representing Ameren Missouri retail load. LMRs
5 do qualify as Planning Resources eligible to participate in MISO's PRA. Page 2 of 2 4. Vandalia
6 – (Similar to Bowling Green above)

7 **MPSC 0068**

8 1. Separately, for each requested solar site, please describe a. Whether solar panels will be
9 oriented to achieve maximum solar energy production, maximum solar energy value, maximum
10 coincidence with Ameren Missouri load, maximum coincidence with MISO load, maximum
11 coincidence with expected summer peak conditions used to develop capacity requirements, or
12 some other orientation. Please fully explain the orientation selected. b. Whether the orientation
13 of solar panels for the purposes described in part A of this question can be reconfigured in the
14 future. If so, please explain the degree of intervention required to modify the orientation, and
15 an estimate of the costs of reorientation, in 2023 dollars. If any clarification is required
16 concerning this data request, please contact Sarah Lange. Sarah Lange
17 (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov). RESPONSE Prepared By: Brad Corder; Chuck Roberts Title: Sr.
18 Project Manager; Project Manager Date: 07/19/23 a) The orientation and design for each of the
19 four solar sites (Vandalia, Bowling Green, Cass County, and Split Rail) has been aimed at
20 optimizing maximum yearly energy production. With single axis trackers, the most ideal
21 orientation is North to South axis with tracking rotation from East to West. b) While the
22 orientation of the solar panels could be reconfigured, this would likely result in significant cost
23 increases. Given the unlikely scenario, cost estimates have not been assessed.

24 **MPSC 0077**

25 On page 35 of his direct testimony, Mr. Matt Michels states: The series of charts below, Figures
26 14-17, show energy needs and generation for the month of July. Analysis results are shown for
27 (a) 2026, following the retirement of Rush Island, with and without the continued investments
28 in renewable resources embodied in the Company's PRP; (b) 2031, following the retirement of
29 Sioux; and (c) 2037, following the retirement of the first two units at Labadie. Resource
30 additions likewise follow the PRP timeline shown in Figure 1. Figures 14 (without the Solar
31 Projects) and 15 (with the Solar Projects) show that the Solar Projects are expected to help meet
32 energy needs during the summer peak period in the relatively near term. This is not the only
33 time solar resources generate electricity, but its value tends to be greatest during these times. It
34 appears from the figures provided that the addition of renewables through 2026 is still not
35 enough to meet Ameren's load for 2026. Did Ameren's IRP consider any plans with resource
36 additions other than renewables in the near future, particularly dispatchable generation that
37 would perform better in the winter season? Did any of the plans in the IRP provide a lower
38 LOLE value than Ameren's preferred plan? If so, please identify. Cedric Cunigan
39 (cedric.cunigan@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE Prepared By: Matt Michels Title: Director,
40 Corporate Analysis Date: July 23, 2023 The charts described in the cited portion of my direct
41 testimony are intended to demonstrate the complementary nature of intermittent renewable
42 resources and non-peaking dispatchable resources relative to load. The charts do not reflect the
43 utilization of existing or new peaking dispatchable resources, which can be dispatched to meet

1 load over a few hours during peak conditions. The Company continues to evaluate its need for
2 dispatchable resources to integrate its planned renewable additions as part of the development
3 of its 2023 IRP, which is to be filed with the MPSC no later than October 1, 2023, including
4 near-term needs.

5 **MPSC 0085**

6 For Figures 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13 in Matt Michels' direct testimony, please clarify
7 whether the figure is associated with a resource plan that was studied in the IRP. If a figure is
8 associated with a resource plan that was studied in the IRP please identify the resource plan,
9 state the NPVRR, and identify any changes between the values presented in Mr. Michaels'
10 testimony and the values reflected in the IRP. J Luebbert (j.luebbert@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE
11 Prepared By: Matt Michels Title: Director, Corporate Analysis Date: August 4, 2023 Figures
12 7, 10 and 13 correspond to the Company's Preferred Resource Plan. The remaining figures do
13 not correspond to a plan for which revenue requirements were estimated. The PVRR for the
14 preferred plan was shown to be \$79,024 million in the Company's June 2022 Notice of Change
15 in Preferred Plan (see Schedule MM-D2 Part 2, page 27, Table 7, Line C). The Company has
16 updated assumptions to reflect tax credits under the Inflation Reduction Act and project costs
17 for wind and solar resources, as described in my direct testimony in this case on page 65. As a
18 result, the PVRR for the preferred plan changed to \$79,102 million as shown in Table 2 on page
19 55 of my direct testimony.

20 **MPSC 0088**

21 Fully explain Ameren Missouri's economic rationale for determining whether to move forward
22 with acquisition of a supply-side resource. J Luebbert (j.luebbert@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE
23 Prepared By: Ajay Arora Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Renewable Development
24 Officer Date: August 3, 2023 During the first Technical Conference, Staff posed the following
25 question, which I believe also encompasses the question posed by this DR: "Please describe
26 how the Company evaluates the proposed projects from an economic perspective in order to
27 reasonably manage cost impacts to customers of the generation investments made by the
28 Company to meet the needs of its retail customer base, including through the project selection
29 process, and on an ongoing basis through the eventual construction or acquisition of the project"
30 To answer the above-quoted broader question and the question posed in this DR, it is necessary
31 to recognize that from the Company's perspective, the IRP is the foundation of the Company's
32 Resource Acquisition Strategy. Under the IRP rules, the Resource Acquisition strategy should
33 be designed to meet customers' needs using the primary criteria of minimization of the present
34 worth of long-run utility costs. So, the driving "economic rationale" is to implement such a
35 Strategy consistent with that primary criterion. The IRP filing itself fully documents the
36 analysis, considerations, and risk assessments that lead to the selection of the Company's
37 Preferred Resource Plan (PRP). A number of relevant sections of the Company's 2020 IRP and
38 2022 Notice of Change in Preferred Plan are attached to witness Michels' testimony in this case.
39 The PRP is selected from a diverse group of candidate resource portfolios that are all designed
40 to meet the anticipated needs of customers throughout the 20-year planning horizon using a
41 variety of generation technologies and demand-side resource options, based off of generic (i.e.,
42 not project-specific) assumptions, which are informed by current market information, related
43 to resource cost, capability, and performance associated with various candidate technologies.

1 The Page 2 of 3 PRP is selected by Company management based on a scorecard of metrics,
2 which as noted includes as its primary (highest weighted) criteria the minimization of the net
3 present value of revenue requirement (NPVRR) that will be incurred in providing service to
4 customers. By virtue of using minimization of the NPVRR as the primary criterion in the plan
5 selection, the Company ensures a process that focuses on the selection and addition of a
6 portfolio of resources to meet customers' needs that are least cost to customers, subject to the
7 Company's other planning objectives (customer satisfaction, portfolio diversity, economic
8 development, and financial and regulatory risks) and any identified constraints to minimizing
9 NPVRR. In the case of the Company's current PRP as filed in the 2022 Notification of Change
10 in PRP, the PRP has the lowest NPVRR of all candidate resource portfolios and is \$632 million
11 lower on an NPVRR basis than another alternative – the Renewables for Capacity Need plan -
12 that represents what may be considered an alternative approach to meeting customers' needs.
13 Using updated information that will underlie the 2023 triennial IRP, the Company estimates
14 that its 2023 PRP, which will continue to reflect the addition of significant renewable generation
15 capacity (such as the projects proposed in this docket) will reflect an NPVRR that is \$1.2 billion
16 lower than such a reference case. As a result of that comparison, the Company's PRP reflects a
17 cost-effective plan to acquire the resources needed to meet customer needs, including the
18 addition of the solar generation facilities that are the subject of this case. The Resource
19 Acquisition Strategy in the IRP also includes a 3-year implementation plan that identifies steps
20 that need to be taken within the immediately ensuing years to execute on the PRP. Based on
21 resource types reflected in the Company's PRP, and the timing of the need for those resources,
22 the Company evaluates what actions need to be taken to execute its plan, while maintaining
23 flexibility to update the PRP to adjust to changes in energy markets, environmental laws and
24 regulations, and technology advancements. The steps taken within the planning window must
25 inherently recognize the long lead time needed to bring new large-scale generation resources
26 online. For generation needs identified within the next ten years, the Company may engage in
27 site evaluation, project definition and scoping, and market assessment activities. As the
28 generation needs gets closer (within five years), more direct project development and
29 acquisition efforts must begin to meet the timelines reflected in the IRP, including issuing
30 requests for proposals (RFPs), completing project due diligence and contract negotiation, and
31 submitting applications for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity (CCNs). As the IRP
32 moves from a generic assessment of resource technologies to the assessment of specific projects
33 needed to execute the Company's implementation plan, the RFP process is the next key
34 customer protection to ensure the Company's actions will reasonably manage costs while
35 meeting customer needs. The Company solicits competitive bids from across the marketplace
36 of qualified and reputable developers of projects, and/or providers of components and
37 engineering/construction services, to provide robust and reliable market information related to
38 the costs of projects, components, and services. The Company's assessment of bids – as further
39 described in the testimony of witness Scott Wibbenmeyer – is based on a scorecard of metrics
40 created with the goal of identifying valuable projects, and utilizes critical project metrics such
41 as project pricing, maturity, performance, and technology. Such evaluation necessarily and
42 appropriately frames any costs that may fall outside of the range of generic assumptions used
43 in the IRP in the context of the relative magnitude of the difference in NPVRR between the
44 PRP Page 3 of 3 and other candidate portfolios. For example, if the PRP is at worst \$500 million
45 better than an alternate plan that could be selected, and costs of a project that makes up a
46 significant portion of the execution of the PRP increase by say \$10 million, there is essentially

1 no chance that selecting said project would change the PRP and cause a change in selected
2 generation technologies or timing of their implementation. In this scenario, the only relevant
3 assessment of the \$10 million increase that would impact the potential to implement the project
4 may be to determine whether the cost increase is project-specific – and therefore warrants
5 reevaluation of the project's selection over other available projects – or whether the cost increase
6 is reflective of changes in the market that would similarly impact other alternative projects. In
7 the case of the latter, it is reasonable to continue to pursue the project at the higher cost level.
8 Projects selected from the RFP process are subjected to due diligence prior to final selection
9 and contracting. Company personnel continue to assess the market by maintaining relationships
10 with a variety of developers, refreshing RFPs to get updated bids and pricing, and carefully
11 monitoring industry news and trends related to topics such as supply chain issues, tariffs, and
12 law and regulation changes. Contracts that the Company enters into must themselves maintain
13 flexibility to accommodate the CCN process, recognizing that the Company cannot fully
14 commit to constructing a project until CCN approval has been granted by the PSC. During the
15 pendency of CCN applications and up until the Company issues what is generally referred to
16 as a notice to proceed or Firm Date, market conditions are such that certain costs generally
17 cannot be "locked in". Ameren Missouri's practice has generally been to sign contracts that are
18 subject to final competitive, market-based pricing that include cost caps that give the Company
19 the ability to terminate a project if final pricing exceeds some contractual benchmark. This does
20 not mean that the Company must cancel the project if the final pricing exceeds that value, but
21 it gives the Company the ability and opportunity to reassess the relative project costs in the
22 context of the current market environment prior to proceeding with a project above the
23 contractual price cap.

24 **MPSC 0090**

25 How does Ameren Missouri account for changes to locational marginal prices on existing
26 Ameren Missouri owned generation assets based upon proposed additions within the context of
27 Ameren's integrated resource planning? J Luebbert (j.luebbert@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE
28 Prepared By: Matt Michels Title: Director, Corporate Analysis Date: August 4, 2023 See
29 response to MPSC 0091.

30 **MPSC 0091**

31 How does Ameren Missouri account for changes to locational marginal prices on existing
32 Ameren Missouri owned generation assets based upon proposed additions within the context of
33 Ameren's analysis provided in support of this case? J Luebbert (j.luebbert@psc.mo.gov)
34 RESPONSE Prepared By: Matt Michels Title: Director, Corporate Analysis Date: August 4,
35 2023 The Company does not explicitly account for changes in LMPs for existing resources
36 resulting from specific proposed additions. The Company's market price scenarios do account
37 for price impacts resulting from the broad transition of the resource mix within MISO and the
38 Eastern Interconnect, including the addition of wind and solar resources.
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1 **MPSC 0094.4**

2 The CRA Report at page 20, states “Overall, renewable entry directly affects the total amount
3 of fossil-fuel capacity in the system since low variable cost resources drive traditional fossil
4 fuel resources up the merit order making them uneconomic more frequently.” (1) Please state
5 whether Ameren Missouri disputes this CRA statement. (2) Please confirm that Ameren
6 Missouri’s fuel model dispatch to market price to show meeting of “energy need” with the
7 additions of solar resources neither (a) reflects a dynamic market price to reflect a relative
8 increase in total fossilfuel generation in a given year when modeled with fewer renewables, nor
9 (b) reflects a relative reduction in the total level of fossil-fuel generation in a given year when
10 modeled with more renewables. Please confirm that in the modeling underlying Mr. Michels’
11 Figure 5, Figure 6, and Figure 7 neither (a) reflects dynamic market pricing to reflect a relative
12 increase output of a given fossil-fuel generator in a given year when modeled with fewer
13 renewables, nor (b) reflects a relative reduction in the total generation modeled by a given
14 fossil-fuel generator in a given year when modeled with more renewables. Sarah Lange
15 (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE Prepared By: Matt Michels Title: Director, Corporate
16 Analysis Date: August 28, 2023 1. The Company does not dispute the statement from CRA. 2.
17 Ameren Missouri's dispatch model simulates its own portfolio's dispatch in the MISO market
18 based on a range of market power price assumptions, which were in turn based on scenarios
19 that reflect combinations of carbon price and natural gas price assumptions. The market power
20 price scenario results were developed based on simulation of resource portfolio changes and
21 dispatch for the entire Eastern Interconnect and MISO. Each modeled scenario reflects different
22 levels and mixes of new resource deployment based on the scenario variables (carbon price and
23 natural gas price). This modeling does not determine specific ownership of new resources (e.g.,
24 specific new resources deployed in each scenario may or may not be owned by Ameren
25 Missouri), only the mix of resources Page 2 of 2 that would be operating during the planning
26 horizon. The energy positions presented in Figures 5, 6 and 7 of my direct testimony reflect
27 probability weighted average results of dispatch modeling for all price scenarios. Neither power
28 prices used by the dispatch model nor generator output produced by the model are further
29 adjusted to reflect Ameren Missouri's ownership of specific renewable resources

30 **MPSC 0096**

31 If MISO is unable to provide energy to meet the needs of Ameren Missouri load, please explain
32 how Ameren Missouri owned generation assets will be able to alternatively meet said load
33 outside of the frameworks of MISO markets. Does Ameren Missouri intend to exit MISO prior
34 to 2030? Does Ameren Missouri plan to dispatch its generation against MISO instructions, and
35 if so, under what circumstances. J Luebbert (j.luebbert@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE Prepared
36 By: Ajay Arora Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Renewable Development Officer Date:
37 August 2, 2023 Ameren Missouri's plan is to add summer and winter energy and capacity
38 resources in a sustained manner to ensure it has an energy buffer in each hour of the year.
39 Ameren Missouri anticipates continuing to be a part of MISO for the foreseeable future, and
40 dispatching its generation consistent with MISO instructions. While Ameren Missouri's load
41 can still be subject to impacts of shortages across MISO, ensuring that Ameren Missouri is
42 contributing resources to the market sufficient to meet the load that it must serve from the
43 market including a buffer of excess energy in the summer and also across all seasons reflects
44 prudent planning. Ameren Missouri is optimistic that other states – and market mechanisms in

1 states that with competitive generation supply - will do the same to mitigate MISO summer
2 energy and capacity shortages. The risk that other states or competitive regions do not cover
3 their load with resources clearly points to the fact that Ameren Missouri needs to be maintain
4 an energy surplus to best protect its customers. In the event that other states in the MISO region
5 do not develop resources to meet their load needs and load impacts are experienced in Ameren
6 Missouri's service territory but Ameren Missouri is able to execute on its plan, the load impacts
7 to the Company's customers will necessarily be less than they otherwise would have been if the
8 Company had not developed an energy buffer, and revenues from the resources the Company
9 has developed will be more likely to be in the higher end of the range of energy and capacity
10 market prices reflected in the Company's IRP and project-specific economic analyses due to the
11 supply side issues that would impact the market in such a scenario.

12 **MPSC 0115**

13 Refer to Matt Michels' direct testimony at page 34, stating "8 Q. Has the Company evaluated
14 energy needs and the role of solar resources in 9 fulfilling those needs on a more granular basis?
15 10 A. Yes. Ameren Missouri has analyzed hourly energy needs and expected generation, 11
16 which highlights the value of the Solar Projects and the Company's longer-term renewable 12
17 additions in meeting customer energy needs. This was done by taking the Company's new 2023
18 13 IRP load forecasts and showing an explicit build-up of energy resources compared to the
19 load. 14 Specific time periods were evaluated, including summer and winter peak conditions,
20 for several 15 key timeframes during the 20-year planning horizon." 1. Please clarify whether
21 or not Ameren Missouri has done iterative production modeling in any context under which it
22 has added the solar resource, developed new LMPs that recognize the resource, and then done
23 production modeling with the new LMPs? If Ameren Missouri has done such modeling, please
24 provide such modeling and all results and inputs in native format. 2. For all years for which
25 data is available, (a) by resource, please identify the annual MWh from existing Ameren
26 Missouri resources that Ameren Missouri has modeled to be dispatched by MISO or self-
27 committed in the absence of the four proposed solar projects or other additions to the Ameren
28 Missouri generation fleet, and (b) by resource, please identify the annual MWh from existing
29 Ameren Missouri resources that Ameren Missouri has modeled to be dispatched by MISO or
30 self-committed with the addition of the four proposed solar projects or other additions to the
31 Ameren Missouri generation fleet. 3. Please provide any and all analysis that Ameren Missouri
32 has performed to prove that the proposed additional solar resources will reasonably be expected
33 to materially increase the amount of generation that Ameren Missouri is called by MISO to
34 dispatch or that Ameren Missouri self-commits. 4. Please provide any and all analysis that
35 Ameren Missouri has performed to quantify the impact that the proposed additional solar
36 resources can reasonably be expected to cause on (a) Ameren Missouri's costs to generate
37 electricity, (b) Ameren Missouri's revenues from the generation of electricity, and (c) Ameren
38 Missouri's costs to obtain energy to serve its load. Sarah Lange (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov)
39 RESPONSE Prepared By: Matt Michels Title: Director, Corporate Analysis Date: August 7,
40 2023 1. The requested analysis has not been performed. Please see response to MPSC 0091.
41 Page 2 of 2 2. Please see attached file "MPSC 0115 Attach – Emissions Generation 05-27-
42 22.xlsx." This shows the production cost model results used for both the Company's 2022
43 Notice of Change in Preferred Plan and the analysis presented in my direct testimony in this
44 case. The pivot table shows generation by coal energy center and by fuel type for all other
45 generation. The pivot table as provided shows results for the current preferred resource plan

1 (PRP), which is labeled "Renewable Transition" in the file, for price scenario 5 (base gas price,
2 low carbon price). Other plans and scenarios can be selected to see the corresponding results.
3 Plan names can be found in the "Probabilities" tab. 3. A quantitative proof has not been
4 prepared. However, given that dispatchable units in MISO are dispatched by the model to price,
5 changes in generation from dispatchable resources would not be expected to result from the
6 inclusion of solar resources. Note from subpart 1 above and the response to DR 0091 that it
7 references that the prices used for dispatch do include recognition of additional renewable
8 resources being added to the market as a result of the transition taking place in the industry, of
9 which the generation additions that are the subject of this case are a subset. 4. For purposes of
10 subpart c of this part of this response, it is assumed that the costs referenced refer to the LMP
11 prices for load. a. Please see workpapers containing the individual project models for each solar
12 project. b. Please see workpapers containing the individual project models for each solar
13 project. c. Please see response to MPSC 0091.
14 [attachment omitted]

15 **MPSC 0117**

16 Please identify all market participants in MISO Zone 5 that are load serving entities. 2. Please
17 identify all market participants in MISO Zone 5 that own or operate generation located in Zone
18 5 or pseudo-tied into Zone 5. 3. Please provide Ameren Missouri's forecasts of the capacity
19 positions of all market participants in MISO Zone 5. 4. Please fully explain the extent to which
20 capacity physically located in MISO Zone 5 may be used for load obligations located outside
21 of Zone 5, including discussion as applicable of costs and processes required to satisfy MISO
22 and NERC requirements. Sarah Lange (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE Prepared By:
23 Mark J. Peters Title: Manager Date: August 9, 2023 1. In addition to itself, Ameren Missouri is
24 aware of the following loadzone CpNodes in the AMMO and CWLD (City of Columbia) LBAs
25 (which are the only two LBAs in Zone 5). The Company knows the identities of the market
26 participants in the AMMO CpNodes but does not know the market participants for CWLD
27 CpNodes. The nodes for both LBAs are as follows: AMMO.AEM.MO AMMO.CALI
28 AMMO.CENT AMMO.HANN.LD AMMO.KAHO_NEM AMMO.KIRK
29 AMMO.MARC_NEM AMMO.NEWMADRID AMMO.PERR AMMO.WVPA
30 AMMO.WVPA.CZHI AMMO.WVPA.CZML Page 2 of 4 AMMO.WVPA.CZPG
31 CWLD.CWLD CWLD.FULT CWLD.UMC Please note that under MISO's tariff, while the list
32 of nodes is not confidential the identity of the market participants is confidential (please note
33 that the name for the Node does not necessarily mean that such name is the identity of the
34 market participant(s) settling at that Node). Under the MISO tariff, Ameren Missouri cannot
35 release the market participant identities unless and until it gives notice to the market participants
36 and gives them the opportunity to object to the disclosure. Ameren Missouri does not yet have
37 the requisite contact information to provide those notices as this is information in the possession
38 of MISO. Ameren Missouri believes, however, that the MISO tariff provides a means for the
39 Staff to obtain this information directly from MISO as an Authorized Requestor – see Module
40 A – Common Tariff Provisions – at the following URL:
41 https://docs.misoenergy.org/legalcontent/Module_A_-_Common_Tariff_Provisions.pdf 2. In
42 addition to itself, Ameren Missouri is aware of the following generation CpNodes in the
43 AMMO and CWLD local balancing authorities. The Company is also aware that there are other
44 behind the meter generators located in the AMMO LBA which do not have generator CpNodes,
45 such as the QF facilities whose electric output is purchased by Ameren Missouri under Rider

1 QF and those owned by the Cities of Kahoka and Marceline. The Company knows the identities
2 of the market participants for the AMMO CpNodes, but does not know the market participants
3 for CWLD CpNodes. Ameren Missouri does not know whether non-Ameren Missouri owned
4 behind the meter generation resources are or are not registered by their owners as BTMG with
5 MISO, in both AMMO and CWLD, absent any with a CpNode listed below. The generation
6 nodes are as follows: AMMO.TRIGCTG1 CWLD.BLRG CWLD.CEC2CTG1
7 CWLD.CEC2CTG2 CWLD.CEC2CTG3 CWLD.CEC2CTG4 CWLD.PLANTD6
8 CWLD.PLANTD8 See the answer to part 1 about the confidentiality restrictions in MISO's
9 tariff and the provisions Ameren Missouri believes allow Staff to obtain information from
10 MISO. Page 3 of 4 3. The requested forecast does not exist. 4. Module E-1 of the MISO Tariff
11 and the accompanying Business Practice Manual 11 provide the requested detail.
12 https://docs.misoenergy.org/legalcontent/Module_E-1_-_Resource_Adequacy.pdf
13 <https://www.misoenergy.org/legal/business-practice-manuals/#5576Collapse8> As noted in
14 Module E-1 of the MISO tariff (69A RAR Process 36.0.0) LSEs will meet their PRMR by: (i)
15 submitting a Fixed Resource Adequacy Plan; (ii) Self-Scheduling ZRCs; (iii) purchasing ZRCs
16 through the Planning Resource Auction process; and/or (iv) paying the Capacity Deficiency
17 Charge. With the exception of a resource which has been included in a Fixed Resource
18 Adequacy Plan (FRAP), or a resource which is only deliverable to a single LRZ, specific ZRCs
19 are not "mapped" source to sink. Ameren Missouri historically utilizes self-scheduling, and its
20 LRZ 5 PRMR exceeds owned ZRCs in LRZ 5. When self-scheduling is used, an LSE with
21 ownership or contractual rights to capacity resources offers them into the PRA up to the
22 megawatt ("MW") amount needed to meet its PRMR, at a price of \$0.00. This ensures that at
23 least that amount of its resources will clear (i.e., be sold) in the capacity auction, regardless of
24 which LRZ the resource is located in. When the clearing price is the same in the load and the
25 resource LRZ, the revenues from the sale of capacity from the resources offset the cost of
26 acquiring the capacity for load. If the clearing price in the resource zone is higher than that for
27 the load zone, the Company receives a benefit – revenue is greater than cost (for that specific
28 volume of capacity resources). If the price of capacity in the load zone is higher than the price
29 of capacity in the resource zone, then the Company's costs will exceed the revenue (for that
30 specific volume of capacity resources). Generally, capacity in MISO takes the form of Zonal
31 Resource Credits (ZRCs). Accredited values are established for each capacity resource, and this
32 amount is converted to a ZRC. For resources determined to be universally deliverable, that ZRC
33 may be cleared by MISO and used to meet the overall PRMR in MISO. Capacity import and
34 export limits in given zones will affect how much capacity in a given LRZ will clear. As noted
35 previously, specific ZRCs are not "mapped" source to sink. For illustration, following is the
36 Summer 2023 PRA Results by zone (slide 17 in the MISO 2023-2024 Planning Resource
37 Auction Results presentation)

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	Z1	Z2	Z3	Z4	Z5	Z6	Z7	Z8	Z9	Z10	ERZ	System
PRMR	18,234.4	13,371.2	10,491.9	9,559.5	8,115.3	18,107.7	21,232.8	7,915.8	21,234.3	4,628.3	N/A	132,891.2
Offer Submitted (Including FRAP)	21,293.8	14,191.9	11,323.8	8,482.5	7,392.0	15,473.9	21,730.0	11,083.2	21,198.7	4,755.5	2,448.6	139,373.9
FRAP	14,042.9	11,237.4	4,245.7	537.4	0.0	949.7	1,457.5	535.2	166.2	1,315.6	309.1	34,796.7
Self Scheduled (SS)	5,302.9	2,431.7	6,557.7	5,673.2	7,372.0	9,940.7	19,918.7	9,777.1	19,359.6	3,071.6	1,569.6	90,974.8
Non-SS Offer Cleared	168.9	443.5	517.4	1,312.0	20.0	3,423.1	4.4	449.4	331.5	321.7	127.8	7,119.7
Committed (Offer Cleared + FRAP)	19,514.7	14,112.6	11,320.8	7,522.6	7,392.0	14,313.5	21,380.6	10,761.7	19,857.3	4,708.9	2,006.5	132,891.2
LCR	15,076.1	10,552.0	6,806.3	2,935.0	6,529.5	11,567.6	18,785.5	7,134.5	18,931.4	3,690.0	-	N/A
CIL	5,301	3,477	6,108	7,884	3,576	8,492	5,087	4,139	5,268	3,064	-	N/A
ZIA	5,299	3,477	6,043	6,992	3,576	8,092	5,087	4,091	4,456	3,064	-	N/A
Import	0.0	0.0	0.0	2,036.9	723.3	3,794.2	0.0	0.0	1,377.0	0.0	-	7,931.4
CEL	3,959	2,550	4,310	NLF*	NLF*	2,703	3,953	5,503	1,574	1,794	-	N/A
Export	1,280.3	741.4	828.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	147.8	2,845.9	0.0	80.6	2,006.5	7,931.4
ACP (\$/MW-Day)	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	N/A

Values displayed in MW UCAP *NLF = No Limit Found: Tier 1 & 2 source capacity is less than the study transfer limit

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1 [https://cdn.misoenergy.org/2023%20Planning%20Resource%20Auction%20\(PRA\)%20Results628925.pdf](https://cdn.misoenergy.org/2023%20Planning%20Resource%20Auction%20(PRA)%20Results628925.pdf) To the extent that question is seeking information regarding the process for using
2 capacity resources physically located in MISO LRZ 5 to meet capacity obligations outside of
3 the MISO, the Company is generally aware that this would require securing adequate
4 transmission service from the source to the ultimate sink on all affected transmission systems.
5 Please reference the tariffs of adjoining transmission service providers for detail.
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8 **MPSC 0118**

9 1. Provide specific citations for each federal rule or law that requires Ameren Missouri to
10 generate energy in excess of the Ameren Missouri load. 2. Provide specific citations for each
11 Missouri rule or law that requires Ameren Missouri to generate energy in excess of the Ameren
12 Missouri load. 3. Provide specific citations for each MISO tariff requirement that requires
13 Ameren Missouri to generate energy in excess of the Ameren Missouri load. J Luebbert
14 (j.luebbert@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE Prepared By: Matt Michels Title: Director, Corporate
15 Analysis Date: August 7, 2023 The Company is not aware of any federal or state law, rule or
16 regulation or MISO rule or regulation that requires Ameren Missouri to generate energy in
17 excess of the Ameren Missouri load. The Company seeks to ensure sufficient capacity and
18 energy to serve its customers in light of numerous risks, as explained in the Company's
19 testimony in this and prior CCN cases.

20 **MPSC 0129**

21 Please provide the following information for any solar projects that will be in service by the
22 end of 2026 that was modeled in Ameren's latest triennial IRP filing (EO-2021-0021) and in

1 Ameren' updated preferred resource plan changed in EO-2022-0362. Please provide/direct
2 Staff to which workpapers this information is in and precisely which cell's the information can
3 be located? 1. Expected Capital Cost of facility including land, site prep, panels, converter, and
4 fencing. 2. Expected Capital Cost of interconnection. 3. Estimated annual property tax of
5 facility and interconnection 4. Offsetting tax estimates for property tax, year 1, and over life of
6 the facility. 5. Estimated annual operating expense, year 1, and over the life of the facility. 6.
7 Type of tax benefits expected. 7. Estimated tax benefits year 1, and over life of the facility. 8.
8 Any other considerations impacting revenue requirement 9. Expected life of facility for
9 depreciation purposes 10. Anticipated net salvage value. 11. Anticipated capacity value for
10 MISO purposes, in AC. 12. Anticipated annual generation, year 1, at point of interconnection,
11 in AC, specify voltage of interconnection. 13. Anticipated energy value, by location, and as
12 granular as possible 14. Variability in generation and capacity accreditation for solar resources
13 15. Anticipated degradation factor. 16. Will the facility be treated as generation or as offset to
14 load for purposes of MISO dispatch? (or does the model include differentiation?) 17. Will the
15 facility be treated as generation, or as offset to load for purposes of allocation of MISO
16 expenses/tariffs (is there differentiation)? Data Request submitted by Mark Kiesling
17 (mark.kiesling@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE Prepared By: Matt Michels Title: Director,
18 Corporate Analysis Date: August 11, 2023 For specific project assumptions and modeling,
19 please refer to the project model workpapers provided in this case, and the project modeling
20 provided in the Boomtown Solar (EA-2022-0245) and Huck Finn Solar (EA-2022-0244) cases.
21 The IRP model uses generic resource assumptions and does not model specific projects. The
22 responses below provide guidance on where to find inputs and assumptions used in the generic
23 solar IRP modeling completed for EO-2021-0021 and EO-2022-0362: 1. Expected capital cost
24 assumptions for solar utilized in EO-2021-0021 – including items such as land, site prep, panels,
25 converter, and fencing – can be found in workpaper "RR Page 2 of 3 Model" provided in that
26 case, tab RESCapex starting in cell L58. Comparable capital cost assumptions utilized in EO-
27 2022-0362 can be found in attached workpaper "MPSC 0129 - RR Model 2022" tab RESCapex
28 starting in cell L58. 2. Expected capital cost of interconnection is included in the capital cost
29 estimates referenced in part 1. No separate assumption was made. 3. In case EO-2021-0021 no
30 annual property tax was assumed for solar resources given the lack of solar property taxation
31 in Missouri. The workpaper and tab reference in part 1 ("RR Model" tab RESCapex) indicates
32 solar property tax as "Included" in column T, which means no additional amount was added for
33 solar property taxes. In case EO-2022- 0362, solar property tax was included to reflect the
34 likelihood that some solar projects pursued by the Company may be located outside the state of
35 Missouri. Workpaper "MPSC 0129 - RR Model 2022," attached, indicates property tax as "Not
36 included" in column T tab RESCapex, indicating additional property tax is added in the model.
37 The assumed solar property tax rate can be seen in attached workpaper "MPSC 0129 - RES
38 Compliance" which was also recently provided in response to MPSC 0119 (tab Assumptions,
39 cell E10). 4. NA 5. Solar projects modeled in both EO-2021-0021 and EO-2022-0362 assume
40 annual O&M of \$4/kW annually in 2019 dollars, escalated at 2% annual inflation. Please refer
41 to workpaper "RR Model" provided in case EO-2021-0021 and "MPSC 0129 - RR Model 2022"
42 attached for case EO-2022-0362. In both models, the O&M assumption for solar can be seen
43 on tab Uncertainty cell N12 and flows through to populate solar O&M cost estimates on tab
44 FOM. 6. Solar projects modeled in both EO-2021-0021 and EO-2022-0362 assume the ITC
45 will be utilized, normalized over the life of the facility. Please refer to workpaper "RR Model"
46 provided for EO-2021-0021 and attached workpaper "MPSC 0129 - RR Model 2022" for EO-

1 2022-0362 tab RESCapex column U for assumed ITC rates by year. 7. As discussed in response
2 to MPSC 0119, the best place to see how solar tax benefits are calculated by year in EO-2021-
3 0021 and EO-2022-0362 is to view workpapers titled "RES Compliance" (provided in the case
4 for EO-2021-0021 and attached for EO-2022- 0362). Reviewing the formulas on any numbered
5 tab will illustrate how ITC benefits are normalized over the life of the facility. 8. NA 9. EO-
6 2021-0021 assumed a twenty-five year life for solar for depreciation purposes. In EO-2022-
7 0362 the assumption was updated to a thirty year life for depreciation purposes. Please see
8 workpaper "RR Model" for EO-2021-0021 and attached workpaper "MPSC 0129 - RR Model
9 2022" for EO-2022-0362 tab RESCapex, column Q. 10. \$0 was assumed for net salvage value
10 in both EO-2021-0021 and EO-2022-0362. 11. Solar projects modeled in EO-2021-0021
11 assumed a 50% capacity credit for solar. Please refer to workpaper 22.060 Integrated Resource
12 Plan-Risk\3-Risk\Capacity Position.xlsx, Cell O71 on each tab. Solar projects modeled in EO-
13 2022-0362 assumed a 50% capacity accreditation value from MISO in the summer and 11% in
14 the winter. Please refer to workpapers Capacity Position-Summer.xlsx, Cell O71 and Capacity
15 Position-Winter, Cell O71. 12. For assumed capacity factors for solar, please view EO-2021-
16 0021 Chapter 6, Appendix A Table 6A.2RT. These capacity factor assumptions were
17 unchanged in EO-2022-0362. Page 3 of 3 Annual generation estimates for all solar projects
18 combined can be seen by year in workpaper "RT Sim 26 CoalPrice2" provided for EO-2021-
19 0021 (row 18, any tab) and in attached workpaper "MPSC 0129 –Powersimm 8 CoalPrice2"
20 for EO-2022-0362 (row 18, any tab). 13. For generic resources modeled in the IRP there is no
21 differentiation by location. All modeled solar projects receive estimate annual energy revenues
22 based on the nine price scenarios modeled. For hourly price assumptions please see numerous
23 workpapers provided in folder HC_22.060 Integrated Resource Plan Risk→Scenarios→Power
24 Prices →Final Feb 2020→Hourly in case EO-2021-0021. The same power prices were used in
25 EO-2022-0362. 14. The IRP model reflects generic solar additions. Therefore, variability in
26 generation and capacity accreditation is not reflected. 15. Solar projects modeled in EO-2021-
27 0021 and EO-2022-0362 assumed a 0.5% annual degradation factor. For EO-2021-0021, this
28 value can only be easily seen within the RTSim model, and therefore no workpaper is readily
29 available to provide. For EO-2022- 0362 please see workpaper "MPSC 0129 –Renewables
30 2022" (tab MWh cell G1). 16. Generation. 17. Generation.

31 [Attachments omitted]

32 **MPSC 0130**

33 For each year 2017-2023, please provide the following: 1. (a) Please identify the MISO tariff
34 provisions that are assessed to Ameren Missouri based on Ameren Missouri’s load in isolation.
35 (b) Please state for each tariff provision if the charge is assessed based on daily load, monthly
36 load, quarterly load, annual load, etc. (c) For each, please state the charge assessed, and the
37 relevant load. (For example, if a charge is assessed based on monthly load, the response should
38 state “Charge X is assessed on monthly load,” and provide a table showing the charge and the
39 load for each month for each year.) 2. (a) Please identify the MISO tariff provisions that are
40 assessed to Ameren Missouri based on Ameren Missouri’s load as a share of MISO load. (b)
41 Please state for each tariff provision if the charge is assessed based on daily load-ratio-share,
42 monthly load-ratio-share, quarterly load-ratio-share, annual load-ratio-share, etc. (c) For each,
43 please state the charge assessed, and the relevant load for Ameren Missouri and for MISO. (For
44 example, if a charge is assessed based on monthly load-ratio-share, the response should state
45 “Charge X is assessed on monthly load-ratio-share,” and provide a table showing the charge,

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the Ameren Missouri load, and the relevant MISO load for each month for each year.) 3. (a) Please identify the MISO tariff provisions that are assessed to Ameren Missouri based on Ameren Missouri’s load at MISO Peak. (b) Please state for each tariff provision if the charge is assessed based on daily load at peak, monthly load at peak, quarterly load at peak, annual load at peak, etc. (c) For each, please state the charge assessed, and the relevant load. (For example, if a charge is assessed based on monthly load at peak, the response should state “Charge X is assessed on monthly load,” and provide a table showing the charge and the load for each month for each year, as well as an indication of the hour.) 4. For purposes of this data request, do not include DA and RT energy market participation. Data Reques submitted by Sarah Lange (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov). RESPONSE Prepared By: Greg Gudeman Title: Director – Transmission Financial & Regulatory Services Date: 8/11/23 Based on clarification from Staff, rather than specifically addressing each individual question above, the MISO transmission charge Schedules that Ameren Missouri pays are listed below with a detailed description on those schedules for which Ameren Missouri pays charges related Page 2 of 3 to its Native Load NITS reservation (" NL NITS") in the AMMO Pricing Zone that could be impacted by generation on the distribution system that is not reported to MISO. Below is a list of MISO transmission related charges for which Ameren Missouri is invoiced. Several charges are not billed for the Ameren Missouri NL NITS and therefore appear to not be relevant to the ultimate goal of the questions above. Therefore, the requested information is being provided for the highlighted Schedules below (Schedules 26, 26A, 9, 10E, 10D and 10F). Note that Schedules 26C, D and E are allocated to the load in the AMMO pricing zone based on monthly load ratio. However, these totaled less than \$17,000 for all of 2022, with any potential cost shift

MISO BILLED 565 EXPENSES:		
MISO Schedule	Description	
1	Scheduling, System Control, and Dispatch	UEC does not pay for native load NITS
2	Reactive Supply and Voltage Control	UEC does not pay for native load NITS
7 & 8	Basic Transmission Revenue	Only charged to UEC PTP
26	Network Upgrade Charge From MTEP	Charged to all AMUE reservations
26A	ARR Pass-Through Rev Related to MVPs	Pass Thru
26A	MVP Charges 9/	Total UEC energy market settlements
26C	TMEP Constructed by MISO TOs	Load Ratio Share in Pricing Zone
26D	TMEP Constructed by PJM TOs	Load Ratio Share in Pricing Zone
26E	IMEP Constructed by MISO TOs	Load Ratio Share in Pricing Zone
33	Blackstart Service	Only charged to UEC PTP
Entergy Related Charges for UEC Load in EAI Pricing Zone		
1	Scheduling, System Control, and Dispatch	Charged to UEC NITS in EAI PZ
2	Reactive Supply and Voltage Control	Charged to UEC NITS in EAI PZ
9	Schedule 9	Charged to UEC NITS in EAI PZ
11	Wholesale Distribution Charges	Charged to UEC NITS in EAI PZ
41	Storm Securitization Charge	Charged to UEC NITS in EAI PZ
42A	Accrued and Paid Interest	Charged to UEC NITS in EAI PZ
42B	Credit Associated with AFUDC	Charged to UEC NITS in EAI PZ
47	MISO Transition Cost Recovery	Charged to UEC NITS in EAI PZ
Total Entergy Charges		
565 Schedule 9 paid to other TOs in AMMO PZ		Charged to UEC NITS in AMMO PZ
MISO NON-565 EXPENSES:		
10D & 10E	MISO Admin Fee (Demand and Energy Charge)	Charged to all AMUE reservations
10F	FERC Annual Charges	Charged to all AMUE reservations

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1 See the attached excel file for monthly billing determinants, MISO rates and Ameren Missouri
2 charges for its NL NITS reservation for 2017-2023 for Schedules 26, 26A, 9, 10E, 10D and
3 10F. Please note that the calculations will not match the general ledger as the charges are based
4 on MISO's initial invoices each month, and therefore, exclude any pass thru adjustments. The
5 exception is Schedule 26-A where the MNAEW MWHs are based on final TS4 settlements to
6 the extent they are available. Schedule 26 – Collects the revenue requirement for certain
7 regional cost-shared projects. MISO allocates the appropriate revenue requirement to the
8 AMMO pricing zone and divides by the zonal divisor (prior year's load) to determine the rate.
9 All NITS reservations in the AMMO Page 3 of 3 pricing zone pay the monthly rate based on
10 its load at time of system peak. This charge is similar to a load ratio share charge as less zonal
11 load the prior year will increase the price to be paid by the load in the current year. Schedule
12 26A – Collects the revenue requirement for certain regional cost-shared projects – the Multi-
13 Value Projects. MISO allocates the total revenue requirement to each month of the year based
14 on the prior year's energy usage pattern. For example, if 8.0% of MISO total energy in 2022
15 occurred in January, then it would allocate 8% of the 2023 annual revenue requirement to
16 January 2023. Following the end of each month, MISO will divide the monthly revenue
17 requirement by the total MISO energy (Monthly Net Actual Monthly Energy Withdrawals -
18 "MNAEW") in the month to determine the rate for that month. MISO then charges that rate to
19 each market participants MNAEW. This calculation is performed in MISO energy market
20 settlement system and transferred to transmission billing. Therefore, since the invoice does not
21 break down the Schedule 26-A charge by individual transmission reservation, the amounts in
22 the spreadsheet reflect the total paid by AMUE for all MISO transmission reservations.
23 Schedule 9 – MISO does not directly charge Schedule 9 to AMUE's NL NITS reservation.
24 Rather, AMUE pays this charge to other Transmission Owners in the AMMO pricing zone
25 through the Joint Pricing Zone Revenue Allocation Agreement. Therefore, the rate shown in
26 the spreadsheet is the AMMO rate for the other MISO TOs in the AMMO pricing zone (i.e.,
27 excludes AMUE revenue requirement). Therefore, the calculated amount shown represents the
28 amount paid by AMUE to other MISO Transmission Owners in the AMMO pricing zone. Note
29 that this charge is similar to a load ratio share charge as less zonal load the prior year will
30 increase the price to be paid by the load in the current year. Schedule 10D&E – These charges
31 collect MISO Admin Fees related to its transmission activities. MISO sets the rates based on its
32 costs and the total system load. MISO collects these fees based on combination of demand and
33 energy charges. For NITS reservations, these charges are based on the monthly peak demand
34 at time of system peak. The demand charge is multiplied by the peak demand times the number
35 of hours in the month to obtain the Schedule 10D charge. The energy charge is based on the
36 same billing determinant but multiplies by the prior year load factor for that month to obtain
37 the Schedule 10E charge. Schedule 10F– This charge collects the FERC annual fee and is based
38 on the same billing determinants as Schedule 10D

39 **MPSC 0165.1**

40 1. Please describe the additional actions that must be taken to convert UCAP Energy Resource
41 Interconnection Service (ERIS) into Zonal Resource Credits (ZRC). 2. Please provide a
42 narrative description of the transactions and transaction costs associated with the additional
43 actions identified in Response to Part 1 of this data request. 3. Please provide a quantification
44 and itemization of the transaction costs or any other costs associated with these additional
45 actions for all UCAP ERIS converted into ZRC in each year Ameren Missouri has undertaken

1 such additional actions. Sarah Lange (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE Prepared By: Jeff
2 Holmes Title: Manager Trading Date: September 6, 2023 1. Conversion of ERIS UCAP to
3 ZRCs is accomplished by identifying and/or securing sufficient firm transmission service to
4 ensure the deliverability of the ERIS portion of the resource's UCAP. In Ameren Missouri's
5 case, this is accomplished through the use of its Network Integrated Transmission Service. This
6 requires Ameren Missouri personnel to access the Module E Capacity Tracking tool in the
7 MISO Portal, reference Ameren Missouri NITS contract, and hit submit. This is then reviewed
8 by MISO and the Company is notified of the amounts which have been accepted. 2. As Ameren
9 Missouri does not incur additional costs for the use of its NITS, it has not incurred transaction
10 costs in converting ERIS to ZRCs. There are no associated "transactions". 3. See answer to #2.
11 Ameren Missouri Staff uses existing personnel and systems to enter the necessary information
12 into the MISO portal.

13 **MPSC 0165.3**

14 1. Does Ameren Missouri intend to offer the solar resources that are the subject of this CCN for
15 bilateral capacity transactions? If so, at what prices for which resources for each applicable
16 year/seasons of the facility's life? 2. Will the capacity values of Bowling Green and Vandalia
17 solar projects be available for offer into a capacity market or as part of a bilateral transaction,
18 or will the output of these projects be simply treated as an offset to load which would reduce
19 the amount of capacity Ameren Missouri is otherwise obligated to procure? 3. If in a given
20 capacity auction the market clearing price is less than Ameren Missouri's offer price for a given
21 solar resource, please confirm that Ameren Missouri will be unable to monetize the capacity
22 value of that resource (absent an existing bilateral transaction). 4. Please confirm that it is
23 possible that in a given year/season Ameren Missouri may be unable to monetize the capacity
24 value of a given solar resource if demand does not exist for that capacity. Sarah Lange
25 (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE Prepared By: Jeff Holmes Title: Manager Trading
26 Date: September 5, 2023 1. No. While the Company's participation strategy for all future PRAs
27 through the life of these solar facilities is not yet determined, it is not our intention to bilaterally
28 sell ZRCs associated with these solar facilities. Rather, Ameren Missouri anticipates utilizing
29 the ZRCs associated with these solar resources to satisfy its PRMR capacity obligation in
30 MISO's Planning Resource Auction, either in the form of a Self-Schedule (Offer at \$0/MWDay)
31 or include these solar resources as part of a Fixed Resource Adequacy Plan (FRAP). 2. Under
32 MISO's resource adequacy construct, BTMG, including Bowling Green and Vandalia once in
33 service, receive their own ZRCs in the capacity auction, rather than being treated as an offset
34 to load. (For energy settlement, the output Page 2 of 2 of these two facilities will reduce the
35 amount of load settled with MISO at the AMMO.UE CpNode in the MISO Energy and
36 Ancillary Services Market). ZRCs associated with Bowling Green and Vandalia are available
37 for both offer into the MISO PRA and bilateral transactions. However, as noted above, Ameren
38 Missouri does not intend to offer these ZRCs for bilateral transactions. 3. It is true that resources
39 that are offered at a price above the auction clearing price for a given zone would not clear in
40 that given auction. This scenario does not apply to resources offered via self-schedule or FRAP.
41 A Self-Scheduled PRA offer of \$0/MW-Day is guaranteed to clear the auction at the auction
42 clearing price. While a FRAP does not have a specified clearing price, it serves as a direct offset
43 to the Company's PRMR obligation. As such, it has the same financial impact as receiving the
44 MISO PRA clearing price for the zone in which the resource is located (and the load paying the
45 applicable zonal price for a like amount). Additionally, MISO's recent PRA rule changes require

1 **MPSC 0167**

2 1. a. Has Ameren Missouri attempted to quantify or estimate the change in the cost to serve
3 load as a MISO Load Serving Entity with and without the installation of approximately 400
4 MW of solar generation within the Ameren Missouri service footprint? This question
5 specifically refers to estimates or analysis of changes in Load Locational Marginal Price, not
6 the valuation of distribution-sited solar as an offset to load. b. If so, please provide such
7 quantifications or estimates. c. If not, please explain why Ameren Missouri did not do any such
8 analysis. 2. a. Has Ameren Missouri attempted to quantify or estimate the change in the
9 Locational Marginal Prices for load in the area surrounding the proposed Cass County solar
10 installation, or the changes in the cost to serve load for any MISO Load Serving Entities in the
11 state of Illinois, with and without the installation of the Cass County solar installation? b. If so,
12 please provide such quantifications or estimates. c. If not, please explain why Ameren Missouri
13 did not do any such analysis. 3. a. Has any Ameren entity, affiliate, contractor, or other entity
14 known to Ameren attempted to quantify or estimate the change in the cost to serve load as a
15 MISO Load Serving Entity with and without the installation of approximately 400 MW of solar
16 generation within the Ameren Missouri service footprint? This question specifically refers to
17 estimates or analysis of changes in Load Locational Marginal Price, not the valuation of
18 distribution-sited solar as an offset to load. b. If so, please provide such quantifications or
19 estimates. c. If not, please explain why any such analysis has not been performed. 4. a. Has any
20 Ameren entity, affiliate, contractor, or other entity known to Ameren attempted to quantify or
21 estimate the change in the Locational Marginal Prices for load in the area surrounding the
22 proposed Cass County solar installation, or the changes in the cost to serve load for any MISO
23 Load Serving Entities in the state of Illinois, with and without the installation of the Cass
24 County solar installation? b. If so, please provide such quantifications or estimates. c. If not,
25 please explain why any such analysis has not been performed. 5. a. Has Ameren Missouri
26 attempted to quantify or estimate the change in the dispatch and margin of existing Ameren
27 Missouri generation with and without the installation of approximately 400 MW of solar
28 generation within the Ameren Missouri service footprint, relying on a model that acknowledges
29 through either load requirements or model pricing the addition or absence of the approximate
30 400 MW of solar generation? b. If so, please provide such quantifications or estimates. c. If not,
31 please explain why Ameren Missouri did not do any such analysis. 6. a. Has any Ameren entity,
32 affiliate, contractor, or other entity known to Ameren attempted to quantify or estimate the
33 change in the dispatch and margin of existing Ameren Missouri generation with and without
34 the installation of approximately 400 MW of solar generation within the Ameren Missouri
35 service footprint, relying on a model that acknowledges through either load requirements or
36 model pricing the addition or absence of the approximate 400 MW of solar generation? b. If so,
37 please provide such quantifications or estimates. c. If not, Page 2 of 3 please explain why any
38 such analysis has not been performed. Sarah Lange (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE
39 Prepared By: Matt Michels Title: Director, Corporate Analysis Date: August 28, 2023 1.
40 Ameren Missouri analysis of change in cost to serve load - 400 MW solar in Ameren Missouri
41 territory a. No. b. N/A c. Based on Ameren Missouri's development of its range of power prices
42 for IRP analysis and the uncertainty with respect to the development and/or ownership of the
43 solar projects in this case or any other generation projects, the Company does not expect the
44 development of these projects and/or ownership of these projects by Ameren Missouri to have
45 a material impact on the cost to serve load relative to the variation in power prices used for its

1 analysis. Please see response to MPSC 0094.4 for additional detail on the Company's
2 development of power price scenarios. 2. Ameren Missouri analysis of change in cost to serve
3 load – Cass County solar a. No. b. N/A c. Based on Ameren Missouri's development of its range
4 of power prices for IRP analysis and the uncertainty with respect to the development and/or
5 ownership of the solar projects in this case or any other generation projects, the Company does
6 not expect the development of these projects and/or ownership of these projects by Ameren
7 Missouri to have a material impact on the cost to serve load relative to the variation in power
8 prices used for its analysis. As a result, Ameren Missouri did not request that another entity
9 perform this analysis. Please see response to MPSC 0094.4 for additional detail on the
10 Company's development of power price scenarios. 3. Other party analysis of change in cost to
11 serve load – 400 MW solar in Ameren Missouri territory a. No. b. N/A c. Based on Ameren
12 Missouri's development of its range of power prices for IRP analysis and the uncertainty with
13 respect to the development and/or ownership of the solar projects in this case or any other
14 generation projects, the Company does not expect the development of these projects and/or
15 ownership of these projects by Ameren Missouri to have a material impact on the cost to serve
16 load relative to the variation in power prices used for its analysis. Please see response to MPSC
17 Page 3 of 3 0094.4 for additional detail on the Company's development of power price
18 scenarios. 4. Other party analysis of change in cost to serve load – Cass County solar a. No. b.
19 N/A c. Based on Ameren Missouri's development of its range of power prices for IRP analysis
20 and the uncertainty with respect to the development and/or ownership of the solar projects in
21 this case or any other generation projects, the Company does not expect the development of
22 these projects and/or ownership of these projects by Ameren Missouri to have a material impact
23 on the cost to serve load relative to the variation in power prices used for its analysis. As a
24 result, Ameren Missouri did not request that another entity perform this analysis. Please see
25 response to MPSC 0094.4 for additional detail on the Company's development of power price
26 scenarios. 5. Ameren Missouri analysis of change in dispatch and margin of existing Ameren
27 Missouri generation – 400 MW solar in Ameren Missouri territory a. No. b. N/A c. Please see
28 response to MPSC 0094.4 for additional detail on the Company's development of power price
29 scenarios. 6. Other party analysis of change in dispatch and margin of existing Ameren Missouri
30 generation – 400 MW solar in Ameren Missouri territory a. No. b. N/A c. Ameren Missouri did
31 not request that another entity perform this analysis. Please see response to MPSC 0094.4 for
32 additional detail on the Company's development of power price scenarios

33 **MPSC 0168**

34 Please confirm that the Astrape representative on the 8/22/2023 call with Astrape, Ameren
35 Missouri, and members of Staff and OPC indicated the following: 1. Astrape modeled Ameren
36 Missouri's generation (or potential future generation) meeting Ameren Missouri's load, with
37 potential for up to 2,200 MW of market interaction. 2. Astrape did not represent municipal load
38 or generation that is located within MISO Zone 5 in the modeling. 3. As modeled, Ameren
39 Missouri's units were required to provide regulating and ramping ancillary services as needed.
40 4. For scenarios in which Astrape modeled 350 MW of additional solar generation, that capacity
41 was assumed to be distributed evenly among five sites, as depicted on slide 22 of the provided
42 slides, generally situated (1) north of Milan, Mo., (2) in Illinois across from Hannibal, Mo., (3)
43 west of St. Louis, (4) in Illinois across from Perryville, Mo., and (5) In extreme eastern Missouri
44 or extreme western Kentucky near Caruthersville, Mo. 5. The Astrape representative made a
45 statement to the effect that any capacity addition will decrease LOLE, but it is a matter of the

1 degree to which LOLE is decreased. 6. The Astrape representative made a statement that solar
2 resources have a worse ELCC on winter mornings than other times of the year. 7. The Astrape
3 representative made a statement that solar resource additions improve LOLE less on winter
4 mornings than other times of the year. Sarah Lange (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE
5 Prepared By: Michael Flanagan Title: Manager, Program & Project Support Date: August 24,
6 2023 As the 8/22/2023 call with Astrape, Ameren Missouri, and members of Staff and OPC
7 was not recorded, exact statements made during the meeting cannot be verified. However,
8 responses below address the questions above, and are consistent with the information attempted
9 to be conveyed during said call. 1. Astrape used Ameren Missouri's load forecast to develop
10 (43) synthetic load curves based on historical weather patterns, with the potential for up to 2,150
11 MW of market support. The model dispatches generation to meet load. The 2,200 MW shown
12 in the summary table in testimony was a slight misrepresentation of the 2,150 MW included in
13 the model and does not impact relative results or conclusions from the modeling. Page 2 of 2.
14 Confirmed. 3. Confirmed. Ancillary service assumptions are input into SERVM. SERVM
15 commits resources to meet energy needs plus ancillary service requirements. These ancillary
16 services are generally needed for uncertain movement in net load or sudden loss of generators.
17 Within SERVM, these include regulation up and down, spinning reserves, load following
18 reserves, and quick start reserves. Spinning reserves and load following up reserves are
19 interchangeable products and represent the sum of the 10-minute ramping capability of each
20 unit on the system. An increase in 10-minute spinning reserves requirement would mean that
21 resources are either dispatched down from maximum, or more resources are committed
22 allowing the fleet to have more ramping capability. All of these products are met with Ameren
23 Missouri resources in the model. In the current modeling performed for Ameren Missouri,
24 market support units are not allowed to serve ancillary services but can bring in more energy to
25 allow Ameren resources to back down to serve these ancillary service products. From an LOLE
26 perspective, which has been the primary use of SERVM for Ameren Missouri, all of these
27 products can be depleted except for the regulation requirement. SERVM, as setup for Ameren
28 Missouri, is defining a load shed event in an hour when load plus regulating reserves cannot be
29 met. 4. Confirmed. 5. Confirmed. 6. While the statement may have been different than that
30 stated in the question, this response addresses the question posed. Solar resources produce less
31 in winter than summer due to shorter days and lower sun angle. Also, a solar resource has a
32 comparatively lower (worse) ELCC in the winter than in the summer due to the potential for
33 higher morning loads without sufficient coincident generation capability from the solar
34 resource. 7. While the statement may have been different than that stated in the question, this
35 response addresses the question posed. See response to 6. above. LOLE is driven by instances
36 when load exceeds available capacity.

37 **MPSC 0173**

38 (1) Please describe the status of project cost certainty for each project. (2) Please provide an
39 updated timeline for dates when capital costs for each project are likely to become more certain.
40 (3) Please confirm that in the 8/25/2023 technical conference, Ameren Missouri represented
41 that price certainty for the Split Rail, Bowling Green, and Vandalia projects was likely to
42 improve in December of 2023. Sarah Lange (sarah.lange@psc.mo.gov) RESPONSE Prepared
43 By: Brad Corder; Chuck Roberts Title: Sr. Project Manager; Project Manager Date: 09/01/2023
44 1. Status of project cost certainty for each project: a. Split Rail i. The Total Base Cost given in
45 MSPC#0042 is target price based on the developer's knowledge and experience, market

1 intelligence and past projects. Price certainty will continue to advance as the design advances
2 and the project progresses toward firm date which requires CCN approval. The Firm date
3 ("FNTP") for Split Rail is in Q2 2024. b. Cass County i. The project cost given in response to
4 MSPC#0042 has high cost certainty. The largest project cost components are known, e.g., EPC
5 and purchased equipment, purchase agreement, and modules. These costs, along with other
6 smaller known costs such as transmission related costs, make up approximately 90% of the total
7 project estimate (not including risk adjusted contingency). The remaining project costs are
8 Ameren Missouri internal and financing costs which have a modest variability (order of
9 magnitude of 10%). The project cost certainty will continue to advance as the project progress
10 and becomes more certain upon a timely CCN approval. Page 2 of 3 c. Vandalia: i. The EPC
11 contract for Vandalia has a target price. The target price becomes firm (not-to-exceed) at FNTP.
12 FNTP is expected roughly 60 days after CCN approval. The EPC contract price is the largest
13 variable of project cost at this time. d. Bowling Green: i. The EPC contract for Bowling Green
14 has a target price. The target price becomes firm (not-to-exceed) at FNTP. FNTP is expected
15 roughly 60 days after CCN approval. The EPC contract price is the largest variable of project
16 cost at this time. 2. Updated timeline when capital costs will become more certain: a. Split Rail
17 i. The Total Base Cost of the project is a target cost. Cost certainty will be further confirmed in
18 the 4th quarter of 2024 as the developer obtains market pricing per the terms of the BTA and
19 will continue to improve as the project approaches the firm date estimated in the 2nd quarter of
20 2024. b. Cass County i. The project has a high cost certainty. After a CCN is approved, cost
21 certainty will improve (by a small amount) because some variable cost estimate components
22 are subject to assumptions with regard to timing of the execution of Closing. c. Vandalia: i. The
23 EPC contract for Vandalia has a target price. The target price becomes firm (not-to-exceed) at
24 full notice to proceed (FNTP). FNTP is expected roughly 60 days after CCN approval.
25 Equipment costs can continue to vary by limited amounts (likely tied to material indices) until
26 final delivery. The majority of materials are expected to be delivered by 2nd quarter of 2025.
27 More cost certainty will be known after all material is delivered and the majority of equipment
28 is installed (expected Q3 2025). d. Bowling Green: i. The EPC contract for Bowling Green has
29 a target price. The target price becomes firm (not-to-exceed) at full notice to proceed (FNTP).
30 FNTP is expected roughly 60 days after CCN approval. Equipment costs can continue to vary
31 by limited amounts (likely tied to material indices) until final delivery. The majority of
32 materials are expected to be delivered by 2nd quarter of 2025. More cost certainty will be known
33 after all material is delivered and the majority of equipment is installed (expected Q4 2025). 3.
34 Confirmed for Split Rail. We don't expect the price certainty for Cass County to change
35 materially this year as the certainty is already high, as discussed above. In general, we expect
36 price certainty to continue to grow for the other projects as well as they progress toward firm
37 date and ultimately completion but as to Vandalia and Bowling Green, there is no particular
38 event that would cause price certainty to increase materially this year. Page 3 of 3 Increasing
39 price certainty as we move through time for all projects depends on them maintaining their
40 schedules including maintaining the CCN schedule.

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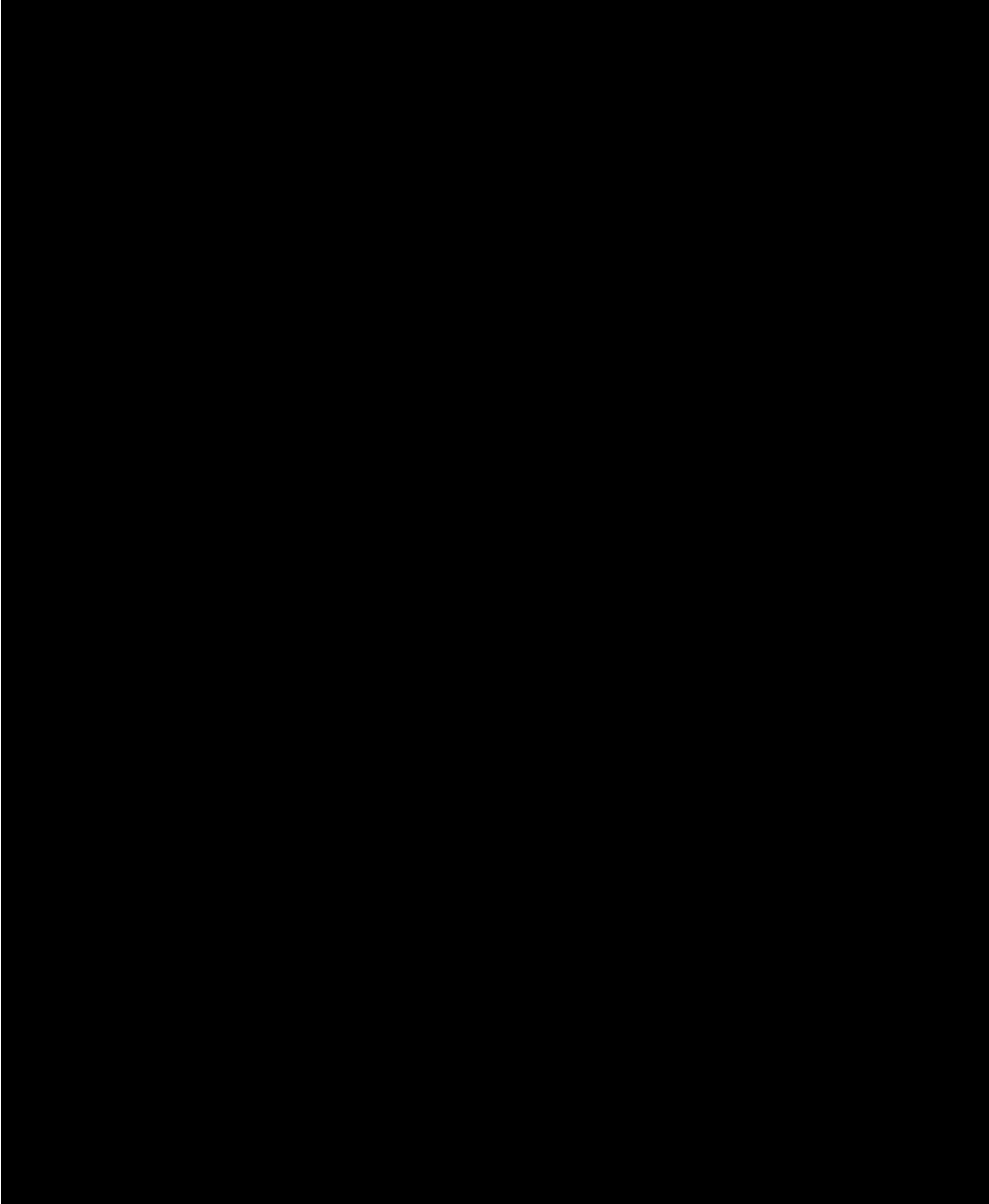
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12 Q. Are you the same Sarah L. Kliethermes who filed rebuttal testimony in this
13 case?

14 A. Yes.

15 **Executive Summary**

16 Q. What is the subject of your supplemental direct testimony?

17 A. I will generally describe the Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement
18 (“Non-Utility Stipulation”) filed on July 7, 2015, and as amended on July 8, 2015, concerning
19 Union Electric Company’s d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri” or “Company”) application for approval of its second cycle of MEEIA programs., and provide support for the
20 throughput disincentive mechanism and the demand-related performance incentive
21 mechanism of the Non-Utility Stipulation. I recommend the Commission authorize the Net
22 Throughput Disincentive (“NTD”) and the Performance Incentive (“PI”) mechanisms that
23 form the alternative DSIM. The terms of the Non-Utility Stipulation remove the financial
24 disincentive to Ameren Missouri’s promotion of DSM programs and incent Ameren
25 Missouri’s promotion of DSM programs, respectively.

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27 **Overview of Non-Utility Stipulation**

28 Q. Does the Non-Utility Stipulation result in the MEEIA statutory policy
29 objective “to value demand-side investments equal to traditional investments in supply and

1 delivery infrastructure and allow recovery of all reasonable and prudent costs of delivering
2 cost-effective demand-side programs?” *See 393.1075.3.*

3 A. Yes, the Non-Utility Stipulation sets up an interrelated framework of
4 programs, disincentive removal, and incentive creation that supports the statutory policy.
5 Specifically, in exchange for Ameren Missouri’s development and promotion of a suite of
6 programs to promote cost-effective measureable and verifiable efficiency savings, the Non-
7 Utility Stipulation would provide Ameren Missouri with:

- 8 1. Contemporaneous program cost recovery on:
 - 9 a. A base level of programs that provide some level of benefit to all customers over
10 the planning horizon,
 - 11 b. Targeted low-income programs that may not be cost effective, and
 - 12 c. Analysis and implementation of additional programs which provide some level of
13 benefit to all customers over the planning horizon.
- 14 2. A mechanism to remove Ameren Missouri’s throughput disincentive in a manner that
15 makes Ameren Missouri financially indifferent to whether or not it promotes DSM
16 programs.
- 17 3. A mechanism to incent Ameren Missouri to promote DSM programs through:
 - 18 a. A base level of benefit associated with annual energy savings targets, if approved
19 by the Commission,
 - 20 b. An incentive targeted to improve participation among multi-family low income
21 customers, and
 - 22 c. An incentive to meaningfully reduce future capacity requirements.

23 **Support for limited waiver of Chapter 20**

24 Q. In your pre-filed rebuttal testimony, you recommend the lost revenues
25 mechanism described in Chapter 20 of the Commission’s rules. Does the Non-Utility
26 Stipulation contemplate the lost revenues mechanism?

27 A. No. The NTD mechanism recommended in the Non-Utility Stipulation is
28 more generous to Ameren Missouri than the mechanism provided in the rules and
29 recommended in my rebuttal testimony. The rules require a utility to show reduction in sales

1 prior to the utility receiving an opportunity to collect revenues associated with the throughput
2 disincentive. In contrast the Non-Utility Stipulation provides Ameren Missouri throughput
3 disincentive recovery regardless of whether its overall utility sales are up or down.

4 Q. Does Staff support the Non-Utility Stipulation NTD mechanism and the
5 associated waiver of the applicable Chapter 20 rules for Ameren Missouri MEEIA Cycle 2?

6 A. Yes, Staff supports a waiver of a portion of 4 CSR 240-20.093(1)(Y). The
7 Non-Utility Stipulation NTD mechanism is part of an interrelated resolution derived in the
8 spirit of compromise and with the support of several parties with diverse interests. To achieve
9 the result of a MEEIA Cycle 2 as is described in the Non-Utility Stipulation, there is good
10 cause to waive 4 CSR 240-20.093(1)(Y) which states “Lost revenue means the net reduction
11 in utility retail revenue, taking into account all changes in costs and all changes in any
12 revenues relevant to the Missouri jurisdictional revenue requirement, that occurs when utility
13 demand-side programs approved by the commission in accordance with 4 CSR 240-20.094
14 cause a drop in net system retail kWh delivered to jurisdictional customers below the level
15 used to set the electricity rates. Lost revenues are only those net revenues lost due to energy
16 and demand savings from utility demand-side programs approved by the commission in
17 accordance with 4 CSR 240-20.094 Demand-Side Programs and measured and verified
18 through EM&V[.]”

19 Q. To what extent does Staff recommend a waiver of 4 CSR 240-20.093(1)(Y) in
20 support of the Non-Utility Stipulation?

21 A. Staff recommends only waiver of the requirement that a utility prove that
22 “utility demand-side programs approved by the commission in accordance with

1 4 CSR 240-20.094 cause a drop in net system retail kWh delivered to jurisdictional customers
2 below the level used to set the electricity rates.”

3 Q. Is Staff’s recommendation to waive certain requirements of
4 4 CSR 240-20.093(1)(Y) similar to Ameren Missouri’s request to waive the requirements of
5 Chapter 20 for its throughput-disincentive net-shared benefit mechanism as contained in the
6 Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement filed June 30, 2015?

7 A. No. Ameren Missouri’s proposed throughput disincentive mechanism is not
8 modeled on the lost revenue concept found in Chapter 20. Rather it is modeled as an
9 additional performance incentive mechanism. As such, Ameren Missouri requested a much
10 broader waiver of the Chapter 20 rules than is reasonable.

11 Q. Why is the limited waiver of 4 CSR 240-20.093(1)(Y) recommended by Staff
12 reasonable when Staff has testified that Ameren Missouri’s requested waivers of Chapter 20
13 are unreasonable?

14 A. Staff recommends the Commission adopt the Non-Utility Stipulation of NTD,
15 which requires measurement and verification of the magnitude and causation of realized kWh
16 savings, but still relies on a quantification of the net reduction in utility retail revenue. In
17 contrast, Ameren Missouri requested that the Commission authorize its throughput
18 disincentive mechanism as an additional performance incentive mechanism, and it relied on
19 accelerating the recovery of pre-deemed projections of program effectiveness.

20 **Net Throughput Disincentive**

21 Q. What is the goal of the NTD mechanism provided in the Non-Utility
22 Stipulation?

23 A. The Non-Utility Stipulation NTD mechanism provides Ameren Missouri with
24 revenue as a result of energy efficiency programs it offers and promotes in lieu of revenue it

1 did not earn because of sales of energy it did not make. This recovery of the net throughput
2 disincentive results in Ameren Missouri being financially indifferent to whether or not it
3 promotes DSM programs, all else being equal. The Non-Utility Stipulation NTD mechanism
4 removes any disincentive associated with Ameren Missouri's promotion of energy efficiency.

5 Q. Is the Non-Utility Stipulation NTD structured as an incentive or as a share of
6 future net benefits that may or may not materialize?

7 A. No, the Non-Utility Stipulation does not rely on an estimate of the future
8 benefits of the programs, and it preserves the distinction between removing disincentives and
9 creating positive incentives that is contained in the MEEIA statute.

10 Q. How does the Non-Utility Stipulation NTD work?

11 A. The Non-Utility Stipulation allows Ameren Missouri to bill and retain the
12 unrealized revenue caused by its promotion of the DSM programs in MEEIA Cycle 2. Each
13 month, Ameren Missouri will book revenues associated with the unbilled kWh for that month.
14 The dollar values booked will later be trued-up after it is determined how many unbilled kWh
15 actually occurred that month.

16 Q. What is an unbilled kWh and what is unrealized revenue?

17 A. DSM programs, by design, reduce the number of kWh a utility sells. An
18 unbilled kWh is a kWh that an Ameren Missouri customer did not buy from Ameren
19 Missouri, because that customer participated in an Ameren Missouri MEEIA Cycle 2 program
20 to reduce his or her energy usage. The unrealized revenue is the revenue that Ameren
21 Missouri did not receive from the sales of energy it did not sell because of MEEIA Cycle 2,
22 minus the costs that Ameren Missouri avoided incurring because it did not have to procure
23 that energy.

1 Q. How much revenue does Ameren Missouri lose on each unbilled kWh?

2 A. It depends. The rate Ameren Missouri would charge for that kWh will vary by
3 customer class, season, the level of energy that customer otherwise consumes that month, and
4 whether or not a rate case has occurred to change applicable rates.

5 Q. Does Ameren Missouri avoid incurring costs when it does not sell a given kWh
6 of energy?

7 A. Yes. Ameren Missouri avoids incurring the cost of obtaining that energy for
8 its customer through the MISO integrated energy market, as well as the cost of transmission
9 and ancillary services associated with that energy. Reductions in customer load also translate
10 to reduction in Ameren Missouri's share of MISO administrative charges, capacity
11 requirements, and transmission build-out expense.

12 Q. Is the FAC Base Factor an accurate measure of the specific costs Ameren
13 Missouri avoids when it avoids selling a specific kWh of energy?

14 A. No. Not only are some of the elements of the transmission costs excluded
15 from the FAC Base Factor, the FAC Base Factor is netted against revenues from Off-System
16 Sales. Additionally, while the market value of energy varies greatly during the hours of the
17 year, the FAC Base Factor is adjusted only twice annually.

18 Q. Will net revenues from Off-System Sales go up or down, all else being equal,
19 if Ameren Missouri avoids selling energy to its customers because of a program under
20 MEEIA Cycle 2?

21 A. All else being equal, net revenues from Off-System Sales will go up if Ameren
22 Missouri avoids selling a given kWh of energy to its customers, because Ameren Missouri
23 will not have to buy that energy through the MISO integrated marketplace.

1 Q. Although it is not an accurate measure of the specific costs and revenues
2 Ameren Missouri avoids when it avoids selling a specific kWh of energy, is it reasonable to
3 use the FAC Base Factor for determining marginal avoided cost under the Non-Utility
4 Stipulation NTD?

5 A. While it is not 100% accurate, it is reasonable to use the FAC Base Factor as a
6 measure of net avoided costs and off-system sales revenues because the Non-Utility
7 Stipulation provides that unbilled revenues are recorded real-time, and are not subject to
8 significant present-valuing. Additionally, by relying on the existing FAC mechanism,
9 shareholders will retain 5% of the net avoided costs and off-system sales revenues.

10 Q. Why has Staff not developed a number that represents this 5% shareholder
11 retention?

12 A. To develop that number Staff needs hourly savings estimates for each measure.
13 Ameren Missouri has stated in its response to Staff Data Request 0013 that it will not provide
14 Staff with those numbers on an hourly basis.

15 Q. Under the Non-Utility Stipulation NTD, is it necessary to make assumptions
16 about rate case timing?

17 A. No. Because unbilled revenues are tracked on a monthly basis, there is no
18 need to create a projection of rate case intervals years into the future to determine the NTD.

19 Q. Under the Non-Utility Stipulation NTD, is it necessary to make assumptions
20 about what level of revenue will be collected through the fixed customer charge in the
21 outcome of a future rate case?

22 A. No. Because unbilled revenues are tracked on a monthly basis, there is no
23 need to project out future rate case outcomes to determine the NTD.

1 Q. Under the Non-Utility Stipulation NTD, is it necessary to make assumptions
2 about what future fuel and transportation expense, purchased power expense, transmission
3 expense, and off-system sales revenue levels will be in the outcome of a future rate case?

4 A. No. By eliminating the present valuing of the throughput disincentive, the
5 Non-Utility Stipulation NTD is able to avoid the need to make many of the critical and
6 controversial assumptions that would be necessary for a present-value throughput
7 disincentive.

8 Q. Is the Non-Utility Stipulation NTD designed to be trued-up for the actual
9 effectiveness of the measures that have been installed?

10 A. Yes. An important characteristic of the Non-Utility Stipulation NTD is that by
11 requiring true-up based on the results of Evaluation, Measurement, and Verification
12 (“EM&V”) and Net to Gross (“NTG”) adjustments, the mechanism is designed to make the
13 utility truly indifferent to not only whether programs are delivered pursuant to MEEIA Cycle
14 2, but more importantly, the utility is made indifferent as to which programs are delivered and
15 whether or not that delivery is effective.

16 Q. Is the utility protected against the chance that the programs have not reduced
17 energy consumption?

18 A. Yes. Unlike lost revenue recovery pursuant to 4 CSR 240-20.093(1), the
19 Non-Utility Stipulation does not require a showing that sales have decreased. Under the
20 Non-Utility Stipulation NTD, overall energy consumption could be up, but Ameren Missouri
21 will still recover NTD associated with the realized kWh savings determined through EM&V
22 and NTG analysis.

23 Q. Is there a floor and a cap associated with the Non-Utility Stipulation NTD?

1 A. Yes. Staff witness Mark Oligschlaeger is providing supplemental direct
2 testimony related to the floor and cap, as well as the alternative 100% booking mechanism
3 described in the Non-Utility Stipulation.

4 **Demand-related Performance Incentive**

5 Q. What is the goal of the Non-Utility Stipulation demand-related PI mechanism?

6 A. The Non-Utility Stipulation demand-related PI mechanism results in Ameren
7 Missouri shareholders receiving a performance incentive equal to the present value of the
8 earnings opportunity on capacity-related investments that they would receive if Ameren
9 Missouri did not promote DSM programs, all else being equal. This creates an incentive for
10 Ameren Missouri to promote energy efficiency.

11 Q. What is the basis for the dollar values and the kW values in the Non-Utility
12 Stipulation's demand-related PI?

13 A. The first tier of the demand-related PI is the approximate value to shareholders
14 of the change in retirement date of the Meramec plant pursuant to the modeling of DSM in
15 Ameren Missouri's Chapter 22 filing. The second tier of the demand-related PI is the
16 approximate value to shareholders of the deferred investment in a combined cycle plant
17 pursuant to the modeling of DSM in Ameren Missouri's Chapter 22 filing.

18 Q. How were the Meramec numbers derived?

19 A. The rate base value of the Meramec generating units is approximately \$685
20 million, and the current depreciation reserve is approximately \$345 million, leaving a net rate
21 base value of approximately \$340 million. Ameren Missouri's shareholders earn a return on
22 this net investment. Every year, the net investment in the plant decreases, all else being equal,
23 because ratepayers contribute depreciation expense which increases the depreciation reserve.
24 Because Ameren Missouri's generating units receive "life span" depreciation treatment, an

1 acceleration of the projected retirement date of a generating unit increases the level of
2 depreciation expense the ratepayers will contribute, which decreases the net rate base on
3 which shareholders earn a return (assuming rate cases occur to adjust the depreciation expense
4 and to recognize the decrease in net rate base). Assuming a 2030 retirement date,
5 shareholders will receive an earnings stream of approximately \$145 million from now until
6 plant retirement. This earnings stream has a present-value of approximately \$140 million.
7 But, assuming a 2026 retirement date, the shareholders' earnings stream is valued at
8 approximately \$110 million, which has a present value of approximately \$108 million.
9 Moving the Meramec projected retirement date from 2030 to 2026 therefore reduces the
10 estimated present-value earnings stream by approximately \$31 million, all else being equal.

11 Q. What is the total capacity of the Meramec generating units?

12 A. The total capacity at Meramec is approximately 834,000 kW. This means, that
13 if the projected date of all of the Meramec generating units is moved from 2030 to 2026,
14 shareholders will forego an earnings opportunity of approximately \$37/kW.

15 Q. If sufficient kW savings are not generated to move the projected retirement
16 date of all of the units at Meramec from 2030 to 2026, will shareholders forego that same
17 earnings opportunity?

18 A. No. The \$37/kW value assumes that all units will be retired in 2026 for
19 depreciation purposes. Foregone shareholder earnings would be less if all units are not retired
20 in 2026, all else being equal.

21 Q. How were the combined cycle numbers derived?

22 A. In its 2014 Chapter 22 filing, at Table 9.9 on page 23, Ameren Missouri
23 provided an estimated capital cost of \$1,297/kW for a 600,000 kW combined cycle plant,

1 including associated transmission upgrades, in 2013 dollars. On an annual basis, that
2 investment represents an earnings opportunity of approximately \$65/kW. Three years of that
3 earnings stream therefore yields an earnings opportunity of approximately \$250/kW. To
4 generously incent Ameren Missouri to achieve meaningful demand-related savings, Staff did
5 not compare the difference in earnings streams associated with simply moving the date of
6 constructing a combined cycle unit, which would substantially reduce the value of the
7 earnings stream for which shareholders are compensated under the demand-related PI.

8 Q. What is contemplated under the MEEIA statute for the performance incentive?

9 A. The MEEIA statute relies on certain assumptions:

- 10 1. Utility opportunities for profits come from investment of shareholder dollars,
11 including investment in generation facilities.
- 12 2. Rates can ultimately be cheaper for all ratepayers to reduce the amount of generation
13 facilities needed in the future.
- 14 3. Absent MEEIA, the utility's incentive to invest in generation facilities serves as a
15 disincentive for that utility to facilitate programs to reduce future capacity
16 requirements.

17 In light of these assumptions, the MEEIA statute provides utilities with timely earnings
18 opportunities associated with cost-effective measurable and verifiable efficiency savings.

19 Q. Does the Non-Utility Stipulation demand-related PI provide Ameren Missouri
20 with timely earnings opportunities associated with cost-effective measurable and verifiable
21 efficiency savings?

22 A. Yes. In fact, the mechanism is more generous than would otherwise be
23 reasonable in that it:

- 24 1. Does not require Ameren Missouri to reach the total demand savings that are
25 associated with moving the retirement date of the Meramec units before being
26 compensated on a per-kWh basis for the change in retirement date of those units; and
- 27 2. Does not require Ameren Missouri to reach the 600 MW demand savings associated
28 with deferral of the construction of a combined cycle unit in order to receive payout of
29 the Non-Utility Stipulation demand-related PI Tier 2.

1 Q. Will shareholders lose earnings opportunities if the retirement date of the
2 Meramec generating units is not shifted, all else being equal?

3 A. No. Unless the retirement date for depreciation purposes shifts, the earnings
4 opportunity remains constant. In this sense, the Non-Utility Stipulation demand-related PI is
5 very generous to Ameren Missouri's shareholders.

6 Q. Is it fair to ratepayers to design a performance incentive that compensates
7 Ameren Missouri shareholders for a lost earnings opportunity that may not be lost?

8 A. In Staff's opinion, it is a reasonable compromise for ratepayers to accept the
9 risk of compensating Ameren Missouri's shareholders for lost earnings opportunities
10 associated with early Meramec retirement (and potential deferral of the construction of a
11 combined cycle unit) in that it encourages Ameren Missouri to promote meaningful cost-
12 effective energy efficiency programs, while maintaining the statutory requirement for
13 measured and verified results of those programs.

14 Q. Are there other aspects of the Non-Utility Stipulation demand-related PI that
15 are more advantageous to Ameren Missouri shareholders?

16 A. Yes. Please see the supplemental direct testimony of Staff witness Mark
17 Oligschlaeger.

18 Q. Is another witness filing testimony in support of the participation-related
19 component of the PI mechanism?

20 A. Yes. I understand that Geoffrey Marke will be filing testimony on this
21 component on behalf of the Office of the Public Counsel, in support of the Non-Utility
22 Stipulation.

Supplemental Direct Testimony of
Sarah L. Kliethermes

1 Q. Does the Non-Utility Stipulation provide for the creation of an additional
2 incentive mechanism related to meeting energy savings targets?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. Does this conclude your supplemental direct testimony?

5 A. Yes.