

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

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a)
Ameren Missouri's Tariffs to Increase its)
Revenues for Natural Gas Service)

File No. GR-2019-0077

**ORDER REGARDING JOINT ISSUES LIST AND STATEMENTS OF
POSITION**

Issue Date: July 18, 2019

Effective Date: July 18, 2019

On July 18, 2019, the Staff of the Commission, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri, the Missouri Department of Economic Development – Division of Energy, Renew Missouri Advocates d/b/a Renew Missouri, and the National Housing Trust submitted a non-unanimous stipulation and agreement that purports to resolve all issues among the signatories. On the same date, Staff filed a motion on behalf of the signatories to the non-unanimous stipulation and agreement asking to be relieved of the obligation to file the List of Issues, List and Order of Witnesses that is due to be filed on July 18, and the Statements of Position that is due to be filed on July 19. Instead, the motion asks the Commission to direct any parties that object to the stipulation and agreement to file their list of issues along with their objections. The other parties would then file their statements of position the next day.

The non-unanimous stipulation and agreement lists 23 specific areas upon which the signatories agree. The signatories' motion asks the Commission to accept the non-unanimous stipulation and agreement as their list of issues. Any party that objects to the stipulation and agreement would then file its own list of issues and list of witnesses along

with its objection. The next day, each signatory would file its list of witnesses with its statements of position.

The problem with the signatories' proposal is that the hearing of this matter is set to begin on July 25, seven days from today. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.115(2)(B) allows parties seven days in which to object to the non-unanimous stipulation and agreement. The rule does not give the Commission authority to shorten the time allowed to object. That means, under the signatories' proposal, the hearing could begin without any clear statement of the issues to be addressed, and without any listing of the witnesses that will appear. That is not acceptable.

Staff will need to endeavor to file a list of issues acceptable to all the parties, keeping in mind that if a party objects to the non-unanimous stipulation and agreement, that stipulation and agreement becomes merely a joint position of the parties that must be fully supported by evidence in the record. If Staff cannot obtain the agreement of all parties to a single list of issues, Staff may present an additional list of issues identified by less than all the parties.

The Commission will extend the time allowed for filing the List of Issues, List of and Order of Witnesses and Statements of Position.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Motion to be Relieved of Filing a Joint Issues List and List of Witnesses and Jointly Filed Statements of Position is denied.
2. No later than 12:00 p.m. on July 19, 2019, the parties shall jointly file a List of Issues, List and Order of Witnesses.

3. No later than 12:00 p.m. on July 22, 2019, the parties shall file their Statements of Position.

4. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION



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Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 18th day of July, 2019.

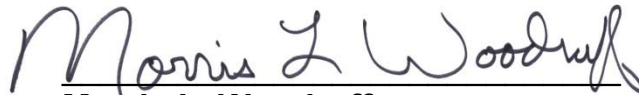
STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission,
at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 18th day of July 2019.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

July 18, 2019

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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