

Notice of *Ex Parte* Contact

TO: Data Center
All Parties in Case No. **ER-2008-0318**
EO-2007-0409
EO-2009-0126



FROM: Chairman Robert Clayton III *RC*
Commissioner Connie Murray *CM*
Commissioner Jeff Davis *JD*
Commissioner Terry Jarrett *TJ*
Commissioner Kevin Gunn *KGM*

DATE: February 2, 2009

On January 30 and February 1, 2009, we received the attached electronic mail messages regarding storm updates and the devastating effects of the storm on Noranda. This case, **ER-2008-0318**, is a contested case, **EO-2007-0409** is an Integrated Resource Planning (IRP) docket, and **EO-2009-0126** is a petition to open a docket. The Commission is bound by its *ex parte* rule, and, we are therefore giving notice to the parties this communication has been received.

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

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

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

Davis, Jeff

From: Suggett, Gaye L [GSuggett@ameren.com]
Sent: Sunday, February 01, 2009 7:14 PM
To: Clayton, Robert; Davis, Jeff; Gunn, Kevin; Murray, Connie; Jarrett, Terry; Mantle, Lena; Beck, Dan; Dietrich, Natelle*; Fred, Gay; Henderson, Wess
Cc: Kidwell, Steve M
Subject: Fw: AmerenUE: 19 of 34 Southeast Missouri Towns Still Out of Power Due to Severe Ice Storm To Be Restored by Day's End -- Monday
Attachments: Storm Update 2 2-1-09.doc

Attached is an updated news release. I believe the earlier news release was missing some of the information. Any questions, please let me know. Thanks
Gaye
573-690-0338

From: Lindemann, Brianne C
Sent: Sun Feb 01 17:11:07 2009
Subject: FW: AmerenUE: 19 of 34 Southeast Missouri Towns Still Out of Power Due to Severe Ice Storm To Be Restored by Day's End -- Monday

CONTACT: MEDIA HOTLINE: 314-554-2182

STORM UPDATE: 5:00 P.M., Feb. 1, 2009

NOTE: RELEASE REDISTRIBUTED TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL DATA ON GRAPHIC

19 of 34 Southeast Missouri Towns Still Out of Power Due to Severe Ice Storm To Be Restored by Day's End -- Monday

11 More Towns Set to Get Power Tuesday Almost All to Have Power by Wednesday

4,000 Working To Restore Power to AmerenUE Customers Affected by Southeast Missouri Ice Storm—20,000 Restored

St. Louis, MO (Feb. 1, 2009) – AmerenUE announced today that customers in 19 of the 34 towns still affected by the severe ice storm that hit Southeast Missouri should have power by day's end Monday (see list below), with some customers in those towns getting service today.

Most of the customers in another 11 towns can expect to get electric service on Tuesday with the remaining 4 towns partially restored on Monday and almost all affected customers restored by end of day Wednesday.

Approximately 4,000 line workers, field checkers, tree trimmers and other support staffers are working to repair damage from a storm that downed more than 4,000 poles and hundreds of lines earlier this week. More than 20,000 customers have been restored in UE's territory; they represented only a fraction of the total number of customers who lost power when a

winter storm knocked out power to more than 1.3 million homes and businesses from Arkansas to Ohio.

Here is the restoration schedule for the 15,000 UE customers still out of power:

Most Customers Restored by End of Day Monday:

- Bernie; Blodgett Area --- including the towns of Blodgett, Morely, Haywood City, Vanduser, Crowder; Braggadocio; Calron; Caruthersville; Dexter; Essex; Gibson (towns of Gibson, Clarkton, Holcomb); Hayti; Lilbourn; Parma-Risco (towns of Parma, Risco) and Wardell

Most Customers Restored by End of Day Tuesday

- Gideon, Miner, Morehouse; Portageville area (towns of Portageville, Conran, Rainbow City, Marston, Howardville); Steele (towns of Steele, Cooter, Holland).

Most Customers Restored by End of Day Wednesday:

- Derring (towns of Derring, Bragg City); Matthews (towns of Matthews, Canalou)

Customers who are not restored by the date listed on this schedule should call UE at 1-800-552-7583 to report that they are still out of power.

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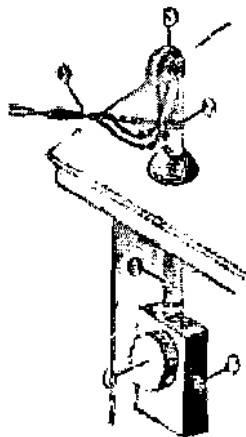
WEATHERHEAD DAMAGE—STORM SAFETY:

Due to the ice storm's extensive damage to the electric service entrances at customers' homes, the services of an electrical contractor may be required to re-attach or repair customer-owned facilities, such as the meter base, weatherhead or point of attachment (see photo).

Any customer noticing damage to these facilities should call an electrical contractor to make repairs so utility workers can safely restore service. Not repairing this damage could delay restoration to the customer's home. **Customers should contact 2-1-1 for more information regarding disaster-related needs, including weatherhead repair. If funding becomes available, call-takers will call you back or pass on information to the entity providing funding. Contact 2-1-1 by dialing 2-1-1 from a landline or 1-800-427-4626 from cell phones.**

In addition, customers should stay away from downed power wires caused by the storm. Ameren companies are working closely with city and state officials and emergency response personnel to coordinate restoration efforts and ensure customer safety.

This diagram shows the typical components of an electrical service entrance to a home or business. Due to ice storm damage, customers may need to make repairs to weatherhead or other components.



AmerenUE installs and maintains these components:

1. The service drop carries energy from the service line to your home or business.
6. The electric meter monitors how much energy you are using.

You are responsible for these components:

2. The service bracket or pipe riser, which protects the connection point for the lines entering your home or business.
3. The weatherhead, which keeps rain and other material out of the pipe riser.

4. The pipe riser, which serves as a guide and protection for the lines entering the meter box.

5. The meter box, which protects the connections to your electric meter.

Only a licensed electrician should ever attempt to work on these parts of your electrical system!

Additional storm safety information is available on the Storm Center on Ameren's Web site – the first choice or navigation bar (www.ameren.com).

With residential electric retail rates that are more than 40 percent below the national average, UE provides electricity and natural gas to 1.2 million customers in Missouri.

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Davis, Jeff

From: Kidwell, Steve M [SKidwell@ameren.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 4:11 PM
To: Clayton, Robert; Davis, Jeff; Gunn, Kevin; Jarrett, Terry; Murray, Connie
Cc: Voss, Tom R; Mark, Richard J; Zdellar, Ron C; Byrne, Thomas M; Jim Lowery; Tatro, Wendy K; GCO Internet Service; opcservice@ded.mo.gov; Thompson, Kevin; john@johncoffman.net; saschroder@hstly.com; mevans@hstly.com; mpendergast@lacledegas.com; rzucker@lacledegas.com; khenry@greatriverslaw.org; bamorrison@greatriverslaw.org; hrobertson@greatriverslaw.org; Woods, Shelley; llangeneckert@spvg.com; dmvuylsteke@bryancave.com; stucon@fcplaw.com; lveson, Todd; carew@bscr-law.com; rdc_law@swbell.net; Laurent, Dan G; Cooper, Wil L; Suggett, Gaye L
Subject: Ice Storm
Attachments: Noranda_Power_Outage_Press_Release.pdf; Noranda 8K.pdf

As you know, a devastating ice storm hit southeast Missouri on Tuesday of this week. Substantial numbers of both AmerenUE and Cooperative customers have lost service. At present, approximately 29,000 AmerenUE customers remain without power. The Cooperatives have an even greater number of customers out of service at this time.

One of the customers impacted by the devastating effects of this storm is Noranda, which as you know receives physical delivery of the power it purchases from AmerenUE via a separate transmission arrangement with Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. (AECI). While Noranda has not lost all power, it is my understanding that its present power supply is only approximately one-fourth of its normal power needs. While AmerenUE has been in regular contact with Noranda, we do not currently have complete information from Noranda about how this reduction in supply to the facility will affect Noranda's operations on a going-forward basis. Noranda has issued a press release and made an 8-K filing with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (both of which are attached) indicating that approximately 75% of its production has currently been eliminated, and that based "on preliminary information and management's initial assessment, restoring full capacity may take up to 12 months, with partial capacity phased in during the 12 month period."

AmerenUE is doing everything it can to assist Associated in restoring service to Noranda, including working through the night last night to create a new supply from our Sikeston substation to support electricity deliveries to the customer. I assure you that our crews will continue to do everything they can to restore service safely, and as quickly as possible, to all affected customers, including Noranda.

Respectfully,

Steve Kidwell
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Noranda Aluminum Holding Corporation Announces Outage

Franklin, Tennessee – January 29, 2009 - As a result of the major winter storm in Southeastern Missouri on January 28, 2009, Noranda's New Madrid, Missouri smelter facility experienced a power outage. The interruption was managed safely with no on-site incidents recorded. The outage affects approximately 75% of New Madrid's plant capacity. Based on preliminary information and management's initial assessment, restoring full capacity may take up to 12 months, with partial capacity phased in during the 12 month period. At this time, the cost of the outage is unknown. Over the next several weeks, we will be assessing the impact on our operations. We will be contacting customers as further information becomes available.

Forward-looking Statements

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" which involve risks and uncertainties. You can identify forward-looking statements because they contain words such as "believes," "expects," "may," "should," "seeks," "approximately," "intends," "plans," "estimates," or "anticipates" or similar expressions that relate to our strategy, plans or intentions. All statements we make relating to our estimated and projected earnings, margins, costs, expenditures, cash flows, growth rates and financial results or to our expectations regarding future industry trends are forward-looking statements. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date on which they are made and which reflect management's current estimates, projections, expectations or beliefs and which are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as otherwise required by law.

Noranda's actual results or performance may differ materially from those suggested, expressed or implied by forward-looking statements due to a wide range of factors including, but not limited to, the general business environment and fluctuating commodity prices. For a discussion of additional risks and uncertainties that may affect the future results of Noranda, please see "Cautionary Statement Concerning Forward-Looking Statements," "Risk Factors" and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in Noranda's Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended, filed on July 17, 2008, and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" in Noranda's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q and other items throughout the Forms 10-Q and Noranda's 2008 Current Reports on Form 8-K.

About the Company

Noranda Aluminum Holding Corporation is a leading North American integrated producer of value-added primary aluminum products, as well as high quality rolled aluminum coils. The company has two businesses. The primary metals business, or upstream, produced approximately 261,000 metric tons of primary aluminum in 2008. The Rolled Products facilities, or downstream business, represent one of the largest foil producers in North America and a major producer of light gauge sheet products. Noranda Aluminum Holding Corporation is a private company owned by affiliates of Apollo Management, L.P.

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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest reported event): January 29, 2009

NORANDA ALUMINUM HOLDING CORPORATION
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

333-148977
(Commission File Number)

20-8908550
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

801 Creseent Centre Drive, Suite 600, Franklin, Tennessee 37067
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (615) 771-5700

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On January 29, 2009, Noranda Aluminum Holding Corporation (“Noranda”) issued a press release announcing that the major winter storm in Southeastern Missouri on January 28, 2009 caused a power outage at Noranda’s New Madrid, Missouri smelter facility.

A copy of the press release is being filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated by reference in its entirety.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release dated January 29, 2009

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**NORANDA ALUMINUM
HOLDING CORPORATION**

Date: January 29, 2009

By: /s/Kyle D. Lorentzen
Kyle D. Lorentzen
Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

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99.1	Press release dated January 29, 2009

Davis, Jeff

From: Suggestt, Gaye L [GSuggestt@ameren.com]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 11:22 AM
To: Clayton, Robert; Davis, Jeff; Murray, Connie; Gunn, Kevin; Jarrett, Terry; Mantle, Lena; Beck, Dan; Henderson, Wess; Dietrich, Natelle*; Fred, Gay; Mills, Lewis
Cc: Kidwell, Steve M
Subject: FW: 3,500 Working To Restore Power to AmerenUE Customers Affected by Southeast Missouri Ice Storm
Attachments: Storm Update 2 1-30-09.doc

Please find attached the most recent news release regarding restoration of power to customers affected by the ice storm in Southeast Missouri.
If you have any questions, please let me know.
Gaye

From: Lindemann, Brianne C
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 11:14 AM
Subject: 3,500 Working To Restore Power to AmerenUE Customers Affected by Southeast Missouri Ice Storm

Contacts:
Susan Gallagher 314-554-2175
Mike Cleary 573-681-7137

STORM UPDATE: 11:00 A.M., Jan. 30, 2009

3,500 Working To Restore Power to AmerenUE Customers Affected by Southeast Missouri Ice Storm

Customers to Be Out For Extended Period

UE to Add 500 More To Restoration Effort Today

St. Louis, MO (Jan. 30, 2009) – AmerenUE brought to 3,500 the total working to install more than 2,500 poles, hundreds of lines and to make other repairs to an electrical system severely damaged by the ice storms that hit Southeast Missouri earlier this week.

The severity of the damage and the amount of ice mean customers could be out of power for an extended period. Everyone affected should make appropriate arrangements to find shelter; for locations of warming centers, customers can call UE at 1-800-552-7583.

UE expects to add 500 more workers today bringing to 4,000 the number battling the storm. Hundreds of line workers from multiple Midwestern, Southern and Southwestern utilities were called in

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to support restoration.

Of the more than 35,000 UE customers affected by the storm, 29,000 are still out of power.

In these conditions, UE reminds customers that safety is the first and foremost concern. The most important safety rule is to stay clear of downed power lines and always call UE at 1-800-552-7583 or 911 if you see downed lines. Assume all downed power lines are energized. Stay inside, especially at night because you may walk into an energized power line. Stay clear of brush, shrubs and downed trees that may hide downed lines.

Additional storm safety information is available on the Storm Center on Ameren's Web site – the first choice on the left navigation bar (www.ameren.com).

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

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