BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Brett Felber,)
Complainant,)
V.)
Jnion Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri) i,)
Respondent.)

File No. EC-2024-0217

RESPONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING FILING

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri" or "Company"), by and through the undersigned counsel, and for its *Response to Order Directing Filing* respectfully states to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"):

1. On March 13, 2024,¹ the Commission issued its *Order Directing Filing*, directing Ameren Missouri to file a response no later than March 18, 2024, addressing whether it consents to reducing its time to respond to Complainant's Amended Complaint and filing an answer by March 19.

2. Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.070 (8) allows respondents thirty (30) days from the date of notice to respond to a complaint unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

3. Ameren Missouri objects to shortening its time to respond to the Amended Complaint. The undersigned has been out of the office from March 13 until March 18 for a medical procedure. Further, Ameren Missouri is reviewing the Amended Complaint and options for responding, including alternative pleadings that would toll the timeframe for filing an answer.

¹ All dates are calendar year 2024 unless otherwise noted.

WHEREFORE, Ameren Missouri requests the Commission order Ameren Missouri to file its answer or alternative pleading no later than April 8.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been emailed to the parties of record on this 18th day of March 2024.

<u>/s/ Jennifer L. Hernandez</u> Jennifer L. Hernandez