

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

In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric)
Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri for an Accounting)
Authority Order to Record and Preserve Net Costs and) **File No. EU-2021-0027**
Revenues Related to COVID-19.)

In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric)
Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri for an Accounting)
Authority Order to Record and Preserve Net) **File No. GU-2021-0112**
Costs and Revenues Related to COVID-19)

STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its *Status Report* submitted on behalf of all parties in this matter, hereby states as follows:

1. On January 29, 2021, Ameren Missouri filed its unopposed *Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule and Request for Expedited Treatment* (the “Motion”) because of ongoing, productive settlement discussions among the parties. On that same day, the Commission sustained Ameren Missouri’s motion by issuing its *Order Suspending the Procedural Schedule* (the “Order”). The *Order* suspended the procedural schedule in this case and, as suggested by Ameren Missouri’s *Motion*, directed the parties to file either a status report or settlement agreement no later than February 10, 2021.

2. Productive settlement discussions continue pending finalization of agreement on the proper base sums against which to compare certain incremental costs that would be subject to deferral if the Commission approves an accounting authority order for Ameren Missouri. Staff is in the process of reviewing information recently provided by Ameren Missouri pertinent to those base sums, and presently expects to complete its review in the next few days.

3. Given that discussions remain ongoing, Staff asks that the Commission issue an order continuing the suspension of the ordered procedural schedule in this matter and requiring the parties to file an additional status report or a settlement agreement no later than February 19, 2021.

WHEREFORE, Staff prays that the Commission will accept this *Status Report* and grant such other and further relief as is just in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been emailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 10th day of February, 2021.

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