# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Missouri	)	
Department of Transportation – Central	)	
District for Change of Electric Supplier from	)	File No. EO-2025-0019
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren	)	
Missouri to Co-Mo Electric Cooperative, Inc.	)	

# ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND DIRECTING RESPONSES TO APPLICATION

Issue Date: October 1, 2024 Effective Date: October 1, 2024

On July 10, 2024, Missouri Department of Transportation – Central Division filed an application with the Commission requesting a change of electric supplier from Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri to Co-Mo Electric Cooperative, Inc. On October 1, 2024, counsel for Missouri Department of Transportation – Central Division adopted the application filed.

The Commission will direct its Data Center to send notice of the application to Co-Mo Electric Cooperative, Inc., and Ameren Missouri. The Commission will also direct those parties to file a response and direct the Staff of the Commission (Staff) to file a recommendation.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- The Data Center of the Commission shall send this order, with a copy of the application, to Co-Mo Electric Cooperative, Inc., and Ameren Missouri.
- 2. Co-Mo Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Ameren Missouri shall file responses to the application no later than November 1, 2024.

- 3. Staff shall file its recommendation regarding the application, or a report stating when it expects to file a recommendation, no later than November 26, 2024.
  - 4. This order is effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell Secretary

Riley G. Fewell, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2024.



# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Missouri Public Service Commission

In the matter of the application of	
MoDOT Central District	) Case No
Chase Barbarick (Representative)	)
(Name of Applicant)	)
for change of electric supplier.	

#### APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF ELECTRIC SERVICE PROVIDER

1. Applicant's address is:

MoDOT Central District – 1511 Missouri Blvd Jefferson City, MO 65109 Building/ Facility - 6533 State Hwy MM Sunrise Beach, MO 65079

2. The name of Applicant's current electric service provider is:

Ameren Missouri Electric

- 3. Applicant requests the Missouri Public Service Commission to order a change of electric supplier to the address indicated above.
- 4. Applicant requested the Commission to order a change of electric supplier

From	Ameren Missouri Electric
	(Current)
То	CoMo Electric Cooperative
	(Requested)

Applicant requests the Missouri Public Service Commission to order a change of electric provider for the following reasons.

MoDOT has acquired the toll booth and toll building at the address stated above and is in the process of removing the toll booths as well as selling off the toll building. At the time of construction Ameren was the only electric provider in the area so power was run from a meter at Lake Ozark, across the bridge, to lights on the bridge, and to the toll building. MoDOT plans to keep the lights in service by Ameren but disconnect the power to the building. After this is done a new service will need to be supplied to the toll building which is now located in CoMo Electric Cooperative's territory. MoDOT wants to honor the territory agreements created by the two electric companies to eliminate any confusion that might come up in the future.

6. Applicant has taken the following steps in an attempt to work out electric service problems with the electric service provider:

We have been in contact with both Ameren and CoMo Electric representatives and have all met out at the site to try and come up with a solution that works best for everyone. Ameren as agreed remove their service from the building and allow CoMo to construction a new service and supply the building power.

Ameren contact is Andrew Pointer.

CoMo Electric contact is Connor McGill

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests the Missouri Public Service Commission to issue an Order which changes the current electric service provider.

(Date) (Signature of Applicant/ Representative)

(573) 508 - 4612

(Phone Number)

\*If reason for change is poor service, outages, low voltage, etc., applicant should submit a record of service problems covering at least 90 days, including dates and times of problems to the extent possible. Applicant should also attempt to determine reasons for any service problems. For instance, if electric service was out or you are experiencing blinking lights, you should contact the supplier of electric service to determine the problem, and include this information with the application. (If the reasons from the supplier was a storm, car hitting pole, trees in line, conductor fell down, or whatever the supplier states for the problem, this should be noted.)

STATE OF MISSOURI
COUNTY OF COLE ) ss.
foregoing application and is familiar with its contents and the matters set forth therein are
true to the best of his/her knowledge, information and belief.
(Signature of Applicant/ Representative)
SWORN TO BEFORE ME, the undersigned Notary Public on this the 4th
day of JULY 1/2024
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: Wack 5, 2008
APRIL STEGEMAN Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Cole County My Commission Expires: March 05, 2028 Commission Number: 07348228

### INFORMATION ON PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION PROCEDURE FOR PRO SE CHANGE OF SUPPLIER APPLICANTS

Pro se applicants are applicants who choose to represent themselves before the Public Service Commission rather than being represented by an attorney. This attachment is intended to give pro se applicants information on Commission procedures for applicants for a change of electric supplier. However, it is still the responsibility of pro se applicants to educate themselves about Commission procedures. "Parties who represent themselves must satisfy all relevant rules of procedure; they are entitled to no indulgence they would not have received if represented by counsel." Sutton v. Kestler, 930 S.W.2d 516, 517 (Mo. App. 1996). Enclosed please find a copy of the Commission's rules on Practice and Procedures. You will be expected to follow these rules.

Generally, there will be five parties in a change of supplier case: (1) the applicant; (2) the applicant's current electric supplier; (3) the electric supplier to whom the applicant wishes to change; (4) the Staff of the Commission; and (5) a representative of the Office of the Public Counsel. The Staff of the Commission is a separate party and will make an independent recommendation to the Commissioners. However, the Commissioners will make the ultimate decision. The Office of the Public Counsel represents the general public before the Commission. Neither the Staff of the Commission nor the Office of the Public Counsel represents the applicant, and neither will act as applicant's attorney nor give substantive advice to the applicant. The Office of the Public Counsel and Staff will try to answer any questions an applicant may have about Commission procedure. The applicant should also be aware that if any pleading or

correspondence is to be filed with the Commission, a copy of that document must be sent to all the other parties.

Other parties may request information from the applicant through the Commission discovery procedure, which is similar to what is allowed in court cases. The purpose of discovery is to find out generally what evidence a party intends to present at a hearing, or what a party's witnesses may be expected to testify at a hearing. All parties, including the *pro se* applicant, may engage in discovery, in accordance with the Commission's rules.

If there are contested matters, the Commission will hold a hearing.

At the hearing, the *pro se* applicant can expect the following procedure: Each party will be allowed to make a brief opening statement. Then the applicant will present evidence. If applicants expect to take the stand to testify on their own behalf, they will have to testify in narrative form, since there will be no attorney to ask them questions. If the applicant intends to put a witness on the stand, applicant will have to ask nonleading, direct examination questions to elicit the witness's testimony.

All witnesses will be asked to give an oath or affirmation, and any witness may be questioned by the Commissioners or the Administrative Law Judge. All witnesses are subject to cross-examination by the other parties. All witnesses should have personal knowledge of the subject of their testimony. Applicants should bring to the hearing at least thirteen copies of any exhibit or document they intend to offer into evidence.

After the applicant has presented evidence, the other parties will be allowed to present their evidence. Then the parties will give their closing statements. Sometimes the Commission wishes to have briefs instead of closing statement. This is unlikely in the

typical change of supplier case, but if briefs are requested the procedure will be explained at the time of the hearing.

In applications for change of electric suppliers, the Commission considers a number of factors in making its decision, including, but not limited to the following:

- Whether the customer's needs can be adequately met by the present supplier with respect to either the amount or quality of the power;
- 2. Whether there are health or safety issues involving the amount or quality of power;
- What alternatives the customer has considered, including alternatives with the present supplier;
- 4. Whether the customer's equipment has been damaged or destroyed as a result of a problem with the electric supply;
- 5. The effect the loss of the customer would have on the present supplier;
- 6. Whether a change in supplier would result in a duplication of service or facilities, especially in comparison with alternatives available from the present supplier, a comparison which could include: (a) the distance involved and cost of any new extension, including the burden on others -- for example, the need to procure private property easements; and (b) the burden on the customer relating to the cost or time involved, not including the cost of the electricity itself;
- 7. The overall burden on the customer caused by the inadequate service, including any economic burden not related to the cost of the electricity itself, and any burden not considered with respect to factor 6(b) above;

- 8. What efforts have been made by the present supplier to solve or mitigate the problem;
- 9. The impact the Commission's decision may have on economic development, on an individual or cumulative basis; and
- 10. The effect the granting of authority for a change of suppliers might have on any territorial agreements between the two suppliers in question, or on the negotiation of territorial agreements between the suppliers.

The applicant should try to address these factors when presenting testimony at the hearing.



### Missouri Department of Transportation

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#### 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 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 2024.

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Nancy Dippell Secretary

## MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION October 1, 2024

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

Sincerely,

Nancy Dippell Secretary

Recipients listed above with a valid e-mail address will receive electronic service. Recipients without a valid e-mail address will receive paper service.