

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office in  
Jefferson City on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of  
September, 2013.

In the Matter of the Adjustment of Union Electric Company )  
d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Fuel Adjustment Clause for the ) **File No. ER-2014-0022**  
13th Accumulation Period ) **Tariff No. JE-2014-0042**

**ORDER REGARDING FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE TARIFF**

Issue Date: September 4, 2013

Effective Date: September 24, 2013

On July 26, 2013, Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri”), filed a tariff to adjust Ameren Missouri’s fuel adjustment rates pursuant to its Fuel Adjustment Clause (“FAC”). In accordance with Ameren Missouri’s FAC, the proposed rate schedules are designed to recover from customers 95 percent of the company’s net cost increases or decreases. Ameren Missouri’s requested adjustment would decrease a typical residential customer’s bill by approximately \$1.97 per month. Ameren Missouri also submitted a true-up filing in File No. ER-2014-0023 to identify the net fuel costs it over-charged or under-charged customers during the 10<sup>th</sup> recovery period prescribed by its FAC, which amount was used when calculating the fuel adjustment rates in this case. No persons or entities have applied to intervene in this case.

The Commission’s Staff filed a recommendation regarding Ameren Missouri’s tariff on August 23, 2013. Staff verified that Ameren Missouri’s actual fuel and purchased power costs match the fuel and purchased power costs included in the company’s calculated rates set in the submitted tariff. Staff advises the Commission to approve the tariff submitted by Ameren Missouri to become effective on its September 24, 2013 effective date.

Staff has verified that Ameren Missouri is not delinquent on any assessment and has filed its 2012 Annual Report. Ameren Missouri is current on the filing of its Surveillance Monitoring reports as required in 4 CSR 240-20.090(10) and its monthly reports as required by 4 CSR 240-3.161(5). Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing, except as noted herein.

Additionally, Staff acknowledges that in File No. ER-2012-0166, the Commission approved Ameren Missouri's request for a waiver from Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-20.100(6)(A)16 regarding passing the fuel costs from its Maryland Heights landfill gas facility through the FAC. Staff states it will continue to work with Ameren Missouri to reach a resolution concerning the future treatment of the costs of landfill gas purchased for the Maryland Heights generating units.

On September 3, 2013, Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers (MIEC) filed a response requesting that the Commission require Staff and Ameren Missouri to re-calculate the fuel adjustment rates to include the \$26.3 million refund to ratepayers that recently became final in File No. EO-2012-0074. Consumers Council of Missouri filed its concurrence with MIEC's request. The Commission concludes that since its order requiring the customer refund was issued after Ameren Missouri initiated this case, the customer refund should be included in Ameren Missouri's next request to change a fuel adjustment rate. No evidentiary hearing is required at this time because this is a non-contested case and there are no material facts in dispute.

The Commission's rule regarding FACs requires the Commission to issue an order approving or rejecting the company's tariff within 60 days of its filing.<sup>1</sup> If the FAC rate

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<sup>1</sup> Commission Rule CSR 240-20.090(4).

adjustment complies with the Commission's rule, Section 386.266, RSMo Supp. 2012, and the FAC mechanism established in the most recent general rate proceeding, the Commission is required to approve the rate adjustment or allow the proposed tariff implementing the adjustment go into effect by operation of law.<sup>2</sup>

The Commission has reviewed Ameren Missouri's tariff filings and Staff's verified recommendation and memorandum, and finds that the tariff sheet implementing the FAC rate adjustment is in compliance with the Commission's order establishing the FAC and with all applicable statutes and regulations. Therefore, the Commission will approve Ameren Missouri's proposed tariff.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri's tariff filing, assigned Tariff No. JE-2014-0042, is approved to be effective September 24, 2013, as an interim rate adjustment, subject to true-up and prudence reviews. The tariff approved is:

**MO. P.S.C. Schedule No. 6**

1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 72.9, Canceling Original Sheet No. 72.9

2. This order shall become effective on September 24, 2013.
3. This file shall be closed on September 25, 2013.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

R. Kenney, Chm., Jarrett, Stoll,  
and W. Kenney, CC., concur.

Bushmann, Regulatory Law Judge

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<sup>2</sup> *Id.*