# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Dominic Mikel,	)
Complainants,	)
V.	) File No. EC-2025-0139
Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri,	)
Respondent	)

## ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE AND EXTENDING THE TIME TO ISSUE A RECOMMENDED REPORT AND ORDER

Issue Date: January 23, 2025 Effective Date: January 23, 2025

On October 16, 2024,<sup>1</sup> Complainant Dominic Mikel filed a complaint with the Commission against Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri. Based on the amount in dispute alleged by the Complainant, the Commission gave notice on October 17 that the matter would proceed under the Commission's Small Formal Complaint Case procedure.<sup>2</sup> Also on October 17, the Commission directed its Staff to investigate the Complainant's complaint and file a report no later than December 3.

On November 18, Ameren Missouri filed a *Request for Mediation*. That same day, the Commission directed responses. No response was received and on November 26, the Commission lifted the tolling of time limitations. On December 2, Ameren Missouri filed its *Answer*. On December 13, Staff requested additional time in which to file its

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Unless stated otherwise, all dates refer to the year 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.070(15).

investigative report and the Commission granted the request the same day, giving Staff until January 23, 2025 to file its report.

On January 23, 2025, Staff filed its *Staff Report*. Having received Complainants' complaint, Ameren Missouri's answer, and Staff's investigative report, this matter is ready to proceed. In order to discuss a procedural schedule, the Commission will set a procedural conference. The procedural conference will be conducted via WebEx video and teleconference for the convenience of the parties.

Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.070(15)(G) states that after affording the parties reasonable opportunity for discovery and a fair hearing, the regulatory law judge in a small formal complaint case shall issue a recommended report and order within 100 days following the filing of the complaint. However, the time period may be extended upon a finding of good cause by the regulatory law judge. The 100-day period in this case expires on January 24, 2025.

Given Staff's request for additional time in which to complete its investigation, good cause exists to extend the time period allowed to resolve this matter. Therefore, the time period under the Commission rule to issue a recommended report and order will be extended.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The parties shall appear by video or phone at a procedural conference to be held on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>February 11</u>, <u>2025</u>, at <u>2:00 p.m.</u> To participate in the procedural conference by phone, at the time of the conference, call 1-650-479-3207, follow the prompts, and enter meeting number **2633 933 9342**, followed by # (pound/hashtag symbol). If prompted for a password, enter **0139**. To participate via video, go to the

WebEx website (www.webex.com) or download the application to join the meeting using meeting number 2633 933 9342 and password 0139. If you need additional accommodations in accordance with the American with Disabilities Act to participate in this conference, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the conference. Failure to appear at the conference without being excused may result in dismissal of the complaint in accordance with Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.090(5).

- 2. Pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.070(15)(G), issuance of a recommended report and order in this matter is extended for good cause beyond one hundred (100) days following the filing of the complaint.
  - 3. This order is effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2025.

#### STATE OF MISSOURI

#### 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January 2025.

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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

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