BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariffs to Adjust Its Revenues for Natural Gas Service

File No. GR-2024-0369

LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

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COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri"), and the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC"), (collectively, the "parties"), by and through undersigned counsel, hereby respectfully submits this *Local Public Hearing Notice*:

1. On December 30, 2024, the parties filed its Local Public Hearing Recommendations with the Commission, which set forth the recommended number of local public hearings and locations, and suggested dates and times for the same.

2. On January 30, 2025, the Commission issued an *Order Setting Local Public Hearings*; wherein, the Commission ordered the parties to coordinate together and submit the proposed language to be included in the local public hearing notices no later than February 11, 2025.

3. The parties have agreed upon the language contained in the notice, attached hereto as Appendix A. In order to provide Ameren Missouri sufficient time to produce, print, and mail the notice of local public hearings, an order from the Commission approving the local public hearing notice must be issued no later than February 13, 2025.

WHEREFORE, the parties respectfully submit this *Local Public Hearing Notice*, and pray the Commission accept the same.

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Respectfully submitted,

/s/ J. Scott Stacey

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been transmitted by electronic mail to counsel of record this 6th day of February, 2025.

/s/ J. Scott Stacey

Notice of Local Public Hearings and Request for Comments Regarding Proposed Increase <u>GR-2024-0369</u>

On Sept. 30, 2024, Ameren Missouri filed a request with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("PSC") to adjust natural gas rates, reflecting major upgrades to the natural gas system. Ameren Missouri is making significant capital investments to add additional capacity and replace aging infrastructure to ensure the system remains safe, reliable and resilient for natural gas customers today and into the future. The request proposes an increase in the company's gas service revenues by approximately \$39.6 million. The overall request would raise a typical residential customer's bill by approximately \$16.00 a month based on approximately 48 ccf of usage, but the bill impact will vary based upon a customer's gas usage.

Ameren Missouri is committed to meeting the energy needs of customers and keeping rates as stable as possible, while making the natural gas system safe and dependable for families and businesses. More information is available at <u>AmerenMissouri.com/AdvancingMissouri</u>.

The base rate increase request, which is subject to regulatory approval by the PSC, would take effect in the fall of 2025. The PSC will decide what amount of increase, if any, to approve.

Attend a Public Hearing

The PSC will hold public hearings. At the hearings you can ask questions, and you can testify about Ameren Missouri's rate increase request.

Each hearing will be divided into two parts. In the first part, you may ask questions of both Ameren Missouri, the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC"), and Staff of the PSC. In this first part, the PSC Commissioners and the regulatory law judge presiding over the case will not be present. Your questions, and the answers provided to you will not be part of the evidence the PSC reviews. In the second part of the hearing, Commissioners and the regulatory law judge will be present, and you may testify directly to the Commissioners. Testimony provided in the second part will be some of the evidence that the Commission reviews when deciding whether to grant Ameren Missouri's requested rate increase.

The PSC has set in-person local public hearings for the following dates and times:

Date	City	Start Time	Location
April 14, 2025	Cape Girardeau	6:00 p.m.	Osage Centre Room 1AB 1625 N Kingshighway Cape Girardeau, MO
April 16, 2025	Wentzville	6:00 p.m.	Wentzville City Hall Board Chambers 1001 Schroeder Creek Blvd. Wentzville, MO
April 21, 2025	Jefferson City	6:00 p.m.	Governor Office Building 200 Madison Street, Room 310 Jefferson City, MO 65101

Virtual local public hearings will be held at the following dates and times:

Date	Start Time	e At the time of the hearing, dial 1-855-718-6621 and enter the Access Code/Password	
April 24, 2025	Noon	Meeting Number/Access Code: 2870 272 9887 Password: 0369	
April 24, 2025	6:00 p.m.	Meeting Number/Access Code: 2632 902 2916 Password: 0369	

To attend a virtual local public hearing **by telephone**, at the time of the hearing call toll free 1-855-718-6621, listen to the prompt and enter the meeting number/access code set out above, followed by # (pound/hashtag symbol). If prompted for a password, enter 0369.

To attend a virtual local public hearing **by video/internet** visit the website at <u>www.webex.com</u> or download the Cisco WebEx Meetings application. At hearing time, enter the corresponding meeting number/access code and password listed above.

To facilitate an orderly presentation that can be preserved for the record, members of the public who wish to participate in the virtual public hearings should register by sending their first and last name, phone number, email address, and the hearing they wish to attend to <u>pscinfo@psc.mo.gov</u>, or by calling (800) 392-4211 by 5:00 p.m. the day before the hearing they wish to attend. Although members of the public are not required to register, registration is strongly encouraged.

Any persons needing an accommodation to participate in the hearings as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the PSC at least three days prior to the hearing at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline 1-800-829-7541.

Additional Ways to Provide Comments and Feedback

If you are unable to attend one of the in-person or virtual sessions or would otherwise like to make written comments or receive additional information, you may contact the PSC directly at:

Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 Telephone: (800) 392-4211 Email: <u>pscinfo@psc.mo.gov</u>

Comments may also be submitted electronically using the PSC's Electronic Filing Information System ("EFIS") at <u>https://psc.mo.gov/General/Submit_Comments</u>. From this webpage, click on "Submit comments" under the heading "Submit Comments in Writing." When submitting comments please reference File No. GR-2024-0369.

In addition, you may also provide comments to or receive additional information from OPC, a state agency tasked with representing the interests of the public in proceedings before the PSC, by contacting:

Office of the Public Counsel P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102 Telephone (866) 922-2959 (toll free) or (573) 751-4857 Email: <u>opcservice@ded.mo.gov.</u>

Stay Informed

Finally, if you want to stay informed about this case or read up on what has already been filed, you can access this case on the PSC's Electronic Filing Information System (or "EFIS"). Please go to https://psc.mo.gov/General/EFIS, find the link for "Commission Case Search – Existing Case e-Filing & Search" under EFIS Shortcuts, and enter the case number for this case (GR-2024-0369) in the box provided to see everything filed in this case.