

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

In the Matter of Union Electric Company, d/b/a	)	<b><u>File No. ER-2014-0258</u></b>
Ameren Missouri's Tariff to Increase Its	)	Tariff No. YE-2015-0003
Revenues for Electric Service	)	

**ORDER DENYING MOTION TO EXTEND DATE FOR FILING POSITION  
STATEMENTS**

Issue Date: February 19, 2015

Effective Date: February 19, 2015

The procedural schedule that was established for this case on August 20, 2014, requires the parties to file their statements of position on February 19, 2015, one day after the filing of a list of issues on February 18, and one business day before the start of the evidentiary hearing on February 23. On February 18, the Commission's Staff timely filed a Joint List of Issues, describing thirty contested issues and multiple subparts of those issues.

On February 19, at 3:01 p.m. Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri, filed a motion seeking to extend the date for filing position statements by one day, until February 20. As the basis for its motion, Ameren Missouri complains that its attorneys have been engaged in taking last-minute depositions and have not had time to complete its statement of positions. Ameren Missouri also states that the other parties do not object to its request for more time, and offers its opinion that the Commission will not be unduly inconvenienced or burdened by a one-day delay in the filing of position statements.

Ameren Missouri is mistaken. The Commissioners, their advisory staff, and the presiding officer must also prepare for the upcoming hearing. Ameren Missouri's proposed extension of time to file position statement would delay those preparations until after the last business day before the start of the hearing. Ameren Missouri and all other parties

have been aware of the deadline for filing statements of position since the procedural schedule was established for this case nearly six months ago. Ameren Missouri's failure to prepare to meet that deadline is not good cause to revise the established procedural schedule.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. Ameren Missouri's Motion to Extend Date for Filing Position Statements is denied.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

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

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2015.