STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held by telephone/internet audio conference on the 3rd day of June, 2020.

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri for Variance from the Timing Requirements of 4 CSR 240-20.094(7)(K)

File No. EE-2020-0351

ORDER GRANTING VARIANCE

Issue Date: June 3, 2020 Effective Date: June 13, 2020

On May 7, 2020, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri filed a request for a variance of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-20.094(7)(K) throughout the remaining portion of its Missouri Energy Efficiency Investment Act (MEEIA) 2019-20201 program. Ameren Missouri's filing included a motion for expedited treatment requesting a decision to be issued by June 7, 2020, so that customers can quickly enroll in Ameren Missouri's business demand response program. The season for this program runs from May to September, 2020.

Ameren Missouri asks the Commission to grant it a variance from the requirement that customers who previously opted-out of a demand-side program and now want to opt back in must file such notice two to four months in advance of the calendar year they want to resume participation. Ameren Missouri notes the Commission granted it a similar waiver in File No. EE-2019-0272. Finally, Ameren Missouri also seeks a waiver of the 60-day notice requirement of Commission rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1).

On May 21, 2020, Staff filed a recommendation that the Commission approve the requested variance as well as approve the waiver of the 60-day notice provision. No other party responded to the application or to Staff's Recommendation.

The Commission finds that Ameren Missouri has presented good cause for the variance and will grant the requested relief. Further, the Commission will waive the notice requirements of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1).

Section 386.490, RSMo, states "Every order or decision of the commission shall of its own force take effect and become operative thirty days after the service thereof, except as otherwise provided." Since the application is unopposed, and the energy efficiency demand response program began in May with sign-ups occurring during the next few weeks, the Commission will allow this order to go into effect in less than thirty days.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Ameren Missouri's request for variance from 20 CSR 4240-20.094(7)(K) is granted.
 - 2. The notice requirement of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1) is waived.
 - 3. This order shall become effective on June 13, 2020.
 - 4. This file shall be closed on June 14, 2020.

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BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff

Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Kenney, Rupp, Coleman, and Holsman CC., concur.

Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge

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 3rd day of June 2020.

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

Sincerely,

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Secretary

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