

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

In the Matter of the Establishment of a)	
Working Case for the Development of Best)	File No. OW-2025-0314
Practices for Wildfire Mitigation in Missouri.)	

COMMENTS OF AMEREN MISSOURI

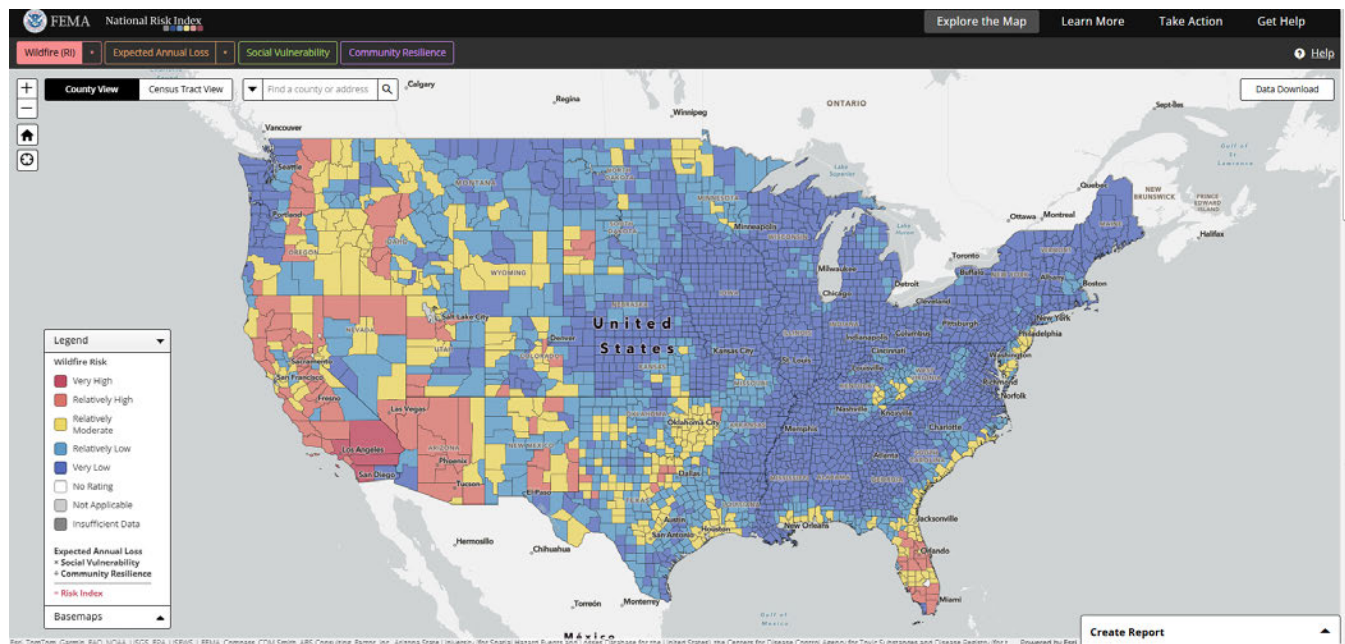
COME NOW, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri (“Ameren Missouri” or “the Company”) and provides its responses to the questions in Attachments A and B posed in the Order Opening a Working Case to Assist in the Development of Best Practices for Utility Wildfire Mitigation in Missouri and Assessment of Risk issued May 14, 2025 (“May 14th Order”) by the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”). In support of its position, the Company states as follows:

INTRODUCTION

1. The Commission issued its May 14th Order to establish a working case to “examine the wildfire mitigation preparedness of Commission-regulated utilities in the state of Missouri.” The May 14th Order asks that, by June 30, 2025, electrical corporations respond to the questions in Attachment A, and gas corporations respond to the questions in Attachment B. Because Ameren Missouri operates as both an electrical and gas corporation in the state of Missouri, it provides its responses to the Commission’s questions in Attachment A and Attachment B to these comments.

2. Ameren Missouri takes its privilege as an electric and gas service provider to its customers very seriously and consistently makes investments to provide safe, sustainable, and reliable operations through a resilient energy grid. This includes monitoring the evolving risks faced by the industry and adjusting our risk mitigation plans as necessary. Accordingly, Ameren Missouri has been monitoring the evolving wildfire risk. To date, the FEMA Wildfire Risk Index continues

to rank Missouri as a low risk for a catastrophic wildfire, particularly when compared to the states that are farther west.



(Source – <https://hazards.fema.gov/nri/map>)

Of course, Ameren Missouri recognizes that "low risk" is not the same as "no risk," as you will see in the responses contained in Attachments A and B to this pleading. We have been monitoring the wildfire risk for some time and have been developing and refining mitigating measures as the risk evolves. We fully intend to continue to do so in order to continue to provide safe, affordable, and reliable service to our electric and gas customers.

WHEREFORE, Ameren Missouri asks the Commission to consider its responses provided in the attachments to this pleading.

Respectfully submitted,

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