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

In the Matter of the Application of Union	)	
Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri	)	File No. ET-2025-0184
for Approval of New or Modified Tariffs	)	
for Service to Large Load Customers.	)	

# UNOPPOSED MOTION TO PARTIALLY SUSPEND EVIDENTIARY HEARING AND DEFER OBJECTION DEADLINE FOR NON-UNANIMOUS STIPULATION AND MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a/ Ameren Missouri, and for its Unopposed Motion to Suspend and Defer, states as follows:

- 1. On November 9, 2025, the Company and seven of the parties to this docket filed a Corrected Non-Unanimous Global Stipulation and Agreement (the "Stipulation"). Under the Stipulation's terms, the signatory parties have waived cross-examination of each other's witnesses during the evidentiary hearing (save only any cross-examination that might occur in response to questions from the bench).
- 2. On November 12, 2025, the parties met during the scheduled Settlement Conference. At this time, the Company has now also reached an agreement in principle to resolve all of the issues in this case with the Staff, and is working with the signatories to the Stipulation and the Staff to reduce that agreement to writing in a formal stipulation that would supersede the Stipulation, assuming the Stipulation signatories and Staff can come to acceptable terms on all issues.<sup>1</sup>
  - 3. Given the Stipulation and the agreement in principle with the Staff, the parties<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Company has not reached any agreement with the Office of the Public Counsel but settlement discussions continue. The Empire District Electric Company has not participated in any settlement discussions, but its counsel has advised the undersigned counsel for the Company that it will not oppose the Stipulation or any amended or other stipulation that may be filed in this docket.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> With the exception of Empire – see prior footnote.

discussed during the Settlement Conference, and all agreed, that the maximum number of days necessary to try this case if evidentiary hearings do occur would be three days. Consequently, such parties all agreed that the first two scheduled days of the evidentiary hearings should be suspended to allow the parties to continue efforts to resolve this case among all parties, which would obviate the need to hold evidentiary hearings at all. For reference, Evergy Metro's/Evergy West's similar case (File No. EO-2025-0154) had originally been scheduled for five days of evidentiary hearings but was fully tried in two days under circumstances similar to those existing in the present case, that is, a non-unanimous stipulation was in place among all but two parties in that case with the same agreement among the signatories not to cross-examine the other signatories' witnesses.

- The parties<sup>3</sup> also discussed the upcoming deadline for non-signatories to object to 4. the Stipulation (Monday, November 17, 2025<sup>4</sup>) and as a further means to assist in facilitating further settlement discussions, agree that a variance to the Commission's rule setting a 7-day objection deadline should be granted extending the objection deadline to November 18, 2025.
- 5. An expedited ruling on this Motion, no later than November 14, 2025, is requested. An expedited ruling will avoid the harm of using resources (hearing time and potentially time spent on stipulation objections) that would be consumed absent promptly granting the motion and will provide the benefit of facilitating further settlement discussions. This motion was filed as soon as it could have been under the circumstances.

WHEREFORE, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission suspend the first two days of the evidentiary hearings in this case and grant a variance from the current deadline for objections to the Stipulation, resetting that deadline to November 18, 2025, and that it order

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Except Empire – see footnote 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Seven days from its filing rolled to Monday since the 7<sup>th</sup> day falls on Sunday, November 16, 2025.

such relief no later than November 14, 2025.

### Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that true and correct copies of the foregoing was served on counsel of record for all parties to this docket via electronic mail (e-mail) on this 13th day of November, 2025.

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