

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 for Permission)
and Approval and Certificates of Public) **Case No. EA-2025-0238**
Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to)
Construct a New Generation Facility and Battery)
Energy Storage System)

AMENDED PROTECTIVE ORDER

Issue Date: January 13, 2026

Effective Date: January 13, 2026

On August 20, 2025, the Commission issued a protective order in this case to protect Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's highly confidential information.

On January 5, 2026, Grain Belt Express LLC (Grain Belt) filed a motion to amend the protective order to protect Grain Belt's highly confidential information.

On January 12, 2026, Grain Belt filed a motion to withdraw from this case as an intervening party. Grain Belt additionally asked the Commission to grant its motion to amend the protective order because it still had sensitive information circulating.

Ameren Missouri does not object to Grain Belt's motion to amend the protective order.

The Commission finds Grain Belt's motion reasonable and will grant it.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Grain Belt's request for a protective order is granted as follows;
 - a. Materials and information divulged by any party shall be considered to be "Highly Confidential" if so designated at the time of disclosure.
 - i. The term "Highly Confidential" may include: (A) responses to these various bid specifications and Requests for

Proposals (RFPs) and company analyses of these responses, including consideration by a company's board of directors; (B) any agreements (and documents reflecting the terms of such agreements), entered into by a company with an EPC contractor and with entities that will design, construct, or maintain components of the generation or transmission projects; (C) any testimony regarding the specific terms and conditions and various cost and pricing information related to the EPC contracts and to various cost and pricing information; (D) the terms and conditions of agreements (and documents reflecting such terms and conditions) with entities that will construct components of generation or transmission projects (the "Supplier Terms"); confidential information relating to the industrial customer operations; (E) including customer specific data, customer pricing, supply costs, business relationships, market data, other proprietary data and protected trade secrets; and (F) information relating to confidential contracts entered into relating to industrial customers.

- b. With regard to entities and individuals other than the Staff of the Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel:
 - i. Disclosure of materials or information so designated shall be made only to attorneys and/or to such outside consultants who have executed a Commission Nondisclosure Agreement. No Highly Confidential information shall be provided directly or indirectly to any non-attorney party employee or other individual.
 - ii. Persons afforded access to materials or information designated "Highly Confidential" shall neither use nor disclose such materials or information for purposes of business or competition or any other purpose other than in regard to the case referenced above and shall keep the materials and information secure and confidential and in accordance with the purposes and intent of the protective order.
 - iii. All material and information designated as "Highly Confidential" in the possession of any entity or person, as well as any notes pertaining to such information, shall be returned to the designating party or destroyed upon the conclusion of the referenced case.

- c. If a party disagrees with the “Highly Confidential” designation of any information, the party shall follow the informal discovery dispute resolution procedures set forth in Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.090(8). If the party exhausts these dispute resolution procedures, the party may file a motion challenging the designation.
2. All persons authorized to access “Confidential” information in this case shall complete the nondisclosure agreement attached to this order as Exhibit A.
3. All persons authorized to access “Highly Confidential” information in this case shall complete the nondisclosure agreement attached to this order as Exhibit B.
4. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Dippell".

Nancy Dippell
Secretary

Charles Hatcher, Senior Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 13th day of January, 2026.

NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENT
For Case No.: EA-2025-0238
(To Access Confidential Information)

I, _____, have reviewed the Commission's Rule at 20 CSR 4240-2.135 on the _____ day of _____, 20__.

I have requested review of the confidential information produced in Case No. EA-2025-0238 on behalf of _____.

I hereby certify that:

- (a) Only employees of a party that are acting as an expert for that party or that have been retained for this case as an outside expert for that party may receive confidential information;
- (b) An employee is a person in the service of his or her employer whose services are controllable by the employer.
- (c) I am employee of [state name of intervenor] acting as its expert and/or its employee who intends to file testimony in this docket, or I am an outside expert for [state name of intervenor] retained to provide expert consultation or testimony in this docket; and
- (d) I have read and agree to abide by the Commission's Rule at 20 CSR 4240-2.135.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Signature and Title

Employer

Party

Address

Telephone

E-Mail Address

NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENT
For Case No.: EA-2025-0238
(To Access Highly Confidential Information)

I, _____, have reviewed the Commission's Rule at 20 CSR 4240-2.135 on the ____ day of _____, 20___.

I have requested review of the highly confidential information produced in Case No. EA-2025-0238 on behalf of _____.

I hereby certify that:

- (a) Only an outside expert retained by a party in this case may receive highly confidential information;
- (b) I am an employee of _____ acting as an outside expert for [state name of intervenor] retained to provide expert consultation or testimony in this docket; and
- (c) I have read and agree to abide by the Commission's Rule at 20 CSR 4240-2.135 and all terms of the Protective Order issued by the Commission in this docket.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 20___.

Signature and Title

Employer

Party

Address

Telephone

E-Mail Address

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 13th day of January 2026.**



Nancy Dippell

**Nancy Dippell
Secretary**

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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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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Nancy Dippell
Secretary

Recipients listed above with a valid e-mail address will receive electronic service. Recipients without a valid e-mail address will receive paper service.