### MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

### STAFF REPORT

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UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY, d/b/a Ameren Missouri

**CASE NO. GR-2021-0241** 

Jefferson City, Missouri September 2021

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### **ROBIN KLIETHERMES**

#### **Present Position:**

I am the Regulatory Compliance Manager of the Tariff and Rate Design Department, Industry Analysis Division, of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"). I have held this position since July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016. I have been employed by the Commission since March of 2012. In May of 2013, I presented on Class Cost of Service and Cost Allocation to the National Agency for Energy Regulation of Moldova ("ANRE") as part of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners ("NARUC") Energy Regulatory Partnership Program. I am also a member of the Electric Meter Variance Committee.

### **Educational Background and Work Experience:**

I have a Bachelor of Science degree in Parks, Recreation and Tourism with a minor in Agricultural Economics from the University of Missouri – Columbia in 2008, and a Master of Science degree in Agricultural Economics from the same institution in 2010. Prior to joining the Commission, I was employed by the University of Missouri Extension as a 4-H Youth Development Specialist and County Program Director in Gasconade County.

Additionally, I completed two online classes through Bismarck State College: Energy Markets and Structures (ENRG 420) in December, 2014 and Energy Economics and Finance (ENRG 412) in May, 2015.

## **Previous Testimony of Robin Kliethermes**

Case No.	Company	Type of Filing	Issue
ER-2012-0166	Ameren Missouri	Staff Report	Economic Considerations
ER-2012-0174	Kansas City Power& Light Company	Staff Report	Economic Considerations
ER-2012-0175	KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company	Staff Report	Economic Considerations & Large Power Revenues
ER-2012-0345	Empire District Electric Company	Staff Report	Economic Considerations, Non- Weather Sensitive Classes & Energy Efficiency
HR-2014-0066	Veolia Kansas City	Staff Report	Revenue by Class and Class Cost of Service
GR-2014-0086	Summit Natural Gas	Staff Report	Large Customer Revenues
GR-2014-0086	Summit Natural Gas	Rebuttal	Large Customer Revenues
EC-2014-0316	City of O'Fallon Missouri and City of Ballwin, Missouri v. Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri	Staff Memorandum	Overview of Case
EO-2014-0151	KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company	Staff Recommendation	Renewable Energy Standard Rate Adjustment Mechanism (RESRAM)
ER-2014-0258	Ameren Missouri	Staff Report	Rate Revenue by Class, Class Cost of Service study, Residential Customer Charge
ER-2014-0258	Ameren Missouri	Rebuttal	Weather normalization adjustment to class billing units
ER-2014-0258	Ameren Missouri	Surrebuttal	Residential Customer Charge and Class allocations
ER-2014-0351	Empire District Electric Company	Staff Report	Rate Revenue by Class, Class Cost of Service study, Residential Customer Charge

# cont'd Previous Testimony of Robin Kliethermes

Case No.	Company	Type of Filing	Issue
ER-2014-0351	Empire District Electric Company	Rebuttal & Surrebuttal	Residential Customer, Interruptible Customers
ER-2014-0370	Kansas City Power & Light Company	Staff Report	Rate Revenue by Class, Class Cost of Service study, Residential Customer Charge
ER-2014-0370	Kansas City Power & Light Company	Rebuttal & Surrebuttal	Class Cost of Service, Rate Design, Residential Customer Charge
ER-2014-0370	Kansas City Power & Light Company	True-Up Direct & True- Up Rebuttal	Customer Growth & Rate Switching
EE-2015-0177	Kansas City Power & Light Company	Staff Recommendation	Electric Meter Variance Request
EE-2016-0090	Ameren Missouri	Staff Recommendation	Tariff Variance Request
EO-2016-0100	KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company	Staff Recommendation	RESRAM Annual Rate Adjustment Filing
ET-2016-0185	Kansas City Power & Light Company	Staff Recommendation	Solar Rebate Tariff Change
ER-2016-0023	Empire District Electric Company	Staff Report	Rate Revenue by Class, CCOS and Residential Customer Charge
ER-2016-0023	Empire District Electric Company	Rebuttal & Surrebuttal	Residential Customer Charge and CCOS
ER-2016-0156	KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations	Staff Report	Rate Revenue by Class, CCOS and Residential Customer Charge
ER-2016-0156	KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations	Rebuttal & Surrebuttal	Data Availability, Energy Efficiency Revenue Adj., Residential Customer Charge
ER-2016-0179	Ameren Missouri	Rebuttal	Blocked Usage
ER-2016-0285	Kansas City Power & Light Company	Rebuttal & Surrebuttal	Clean Charge Network Tariff, Rate Design
GR-2017-0215	Spire (Laclede Gas Company)	Staff Report, Rebuttal & Surrebuttal	Tariff Issues, Rate Design and Class Cost of Service

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Case No.	Company	Type of Filing	Issue
GR-2017-0216	Spire (Missouri Gas Energy)	Staff Report, Rebuttal & Surrebuttal	Tariff Issues, Rate Design and Class Cost of Service
EC-2018-0103	Kansas City Power & Light Company	Staff Report	Customer Complaint
EO-2015-0055	Ameren Missouri	Rebuttal	Flex-Pay Program
GR-2018-0013	Liberty	Staff Report	Class Cost of Service and Rate Design Report
ER-2018-0145	Kansas City Power & Light Company	Staff Report & Rebuttal & Surrebuttal	Tariff Issues, Rate Design, Revenue, Class Cost of Service
ER-2018-0146	KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations	Staff Report & Rebuttal & Surrebuttal	Tariff Issues, Rate Design, Revenue, Class Cost of Service
EO-2018-0211	Ameren Missouri	Staff Rebuttal Report	MEEIA Margin Rates
GO-2019-0059	Spire Missouri West	Staff Recommendation & Rebuttal	Weather Normalization Adjustment Rider (WNAR)
GO-2019-0058	Spire Missouri East	Staff Recommendation & Rebuttal	Weather Normalization Adjustment Rider (WNAR)
ET-2018-0132	Ameren Missouri	Surrebuttal	Risk Sharing Mechanism
ER-2019-0291	Ameren Missouri	Staff Recommendation	MEEIA EEIC rates
GR-2019-0077	Ameren Missouri	Staff Report, Rebuttal & Surrebuttal	Tariff Issues, Rate Design, Revenue, Class Cost of Service
EO-2019-0132	KCPL and GMO	Staff Rebuttal Report	MEEIA DSIM mechanism, Tariff Issues
ER-2019-0335	Ameren Missouri	Staff Report, Rebuttal and Surrebuttal	Cost of Service and Class Cost of Service
ER-2019-0374	Empire District Electric Company	Staff Report, Rebuttal and Surrebuttal	Class Cost of Service and Estimated Bills
ER-2019-0374	Empire District Electric Company	Supplemental and Surrebuttal Supplemental	Estimated Bills and Billing Determinants
EU-2020-0350	Evergy Missouri Metro and Evergy Missouri West	Rebuttal Testimony	Lost Revenue Recovery

# cont'd Previous Testimony of Robin Kliethermes

Case No.	Company	Type of Filing	Issue
ER-2021-0158	Ameren Missouri	Staff Recommendation	Rider Energy Efficiency Investment Charge
GR-2021-0108	Spire Missouri, Inc.	Staff Report, Rebuttal and Surrebuttal	Class Cost of Service, CCN Disallowance, Billing Determinant adjustments
ET-2021-0151	Evergy Missouri Metro & Evergy Missouri West	Staff Rebuttal Report	Electric Vehicle charging programs
ER-2021-0240	Ameren Missouri	Staff Cost of Service Report	Retail Rate Revenue Adjustments

#### Charles T. Poston, PE

### **Current Position**

I am currently employed as a Senior Professional Engineer in the Engineering Analysis

Department of the Missouri Public Service Commission.

### **Education and Prior Work Experience**

I received a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 2006 and a Master of Science degree in Nuclear Engineering from the same institution in 2008.

From May 2008 through August 2013 I was employed by Ameren Missouri as an engineer in the Safety Analysis and Reactor Engineering Departments at the Callaway Energy Center. My duties consisted of post-accident thermo-hydraulic analyses, radiation dose calculations, atmospheric dispersion estimates for radiological and chemical hazards, and root cause determinations.

From September 2013 to March 2015, I worked in the Safety Engineering Unit of the Missouri Public Service Commission. In that capacity I conducted comprehensive gas safety inspections and participated in incident investigations following natural gas explosions. After March 2015 I was employed by the Commission in the Engineering Analysis Department where I was assigned to cases for both electric and natural gas utilities. I have provided testimony before the Commission on topics including natural gas incident investigations, power plant cost allocations, ISRS cost recovery, and production cost modeling.

I have been a licensed professional engineer in the State of Missouri since January 2015.

Charles T. Poston Case History:

Case Number	Utility	Testimony	Issue
GS-2014-0226	Laclede Gas Company	Staff Report	Staff investigation following natural gas explosion
EO-2015-0320	Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri	Staff Recommendation	SO <sub>2</sub> and NO <sub>x</sub> emission allowance trading and reporting
ER-2016-0023	Empire District Electric Company	Staff Report	Heat Rate Testing
	KCP&L Greater	Staff Report	Consumer Complaint in
EC-2016-0230	Missouri Operations Company	Staff Investigation	reference to "Smart Meter" installation
			Variable Fuel Costs,
	KCP&L Greater	Staff Report	Lake Road Allocations,
ER-2016-0156	Missouri Operations		Heat Rate Testing
	Company	Rebuttal	Lake Road Allocations
		Surrebuttal	Lake Road Allocations
	Kansas City Power & Light Company	Staff Report	Variable Fuel Costs
ER-2016-0285		Rebuttal	
ER-2010-0263		True-Up Direct	
		True-Up Rebuttal	
		Staff Report	Variable Fuel Cost
	KCP&L Greater	Staff Report	Lake Road Allocations
777 2040 0446	Missouri	Rebuttal	Lake Road Allocations
ER-2018-0146	Operations Company	Surrebuttal	Greenwood Solar Allocation, Lake Road
		True-Up Direct	Allocations, Variable Fuel Costs
GO-2019-0115 GO-2019-0116	Spire Missouri, Inc.	Staff Recommendation Staff Direct Report	Avoided Cost Studies
GO-2019-0356 GO-2019-0357	Spire Missouri, Inc.	Staff Recommendation	Engineering Review
AO-2021-0264 <sup>1</sup> EO-2021-0359 EO-2021-0360	Evergy Missouri West, Inc., Evergy Missouri Metro, Inc.	Staff Report(s)	February 2021 Cold Weather Event

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This case contained a Staff report concerning the response of numerous Missouri utilities to the cold weather event of February 2021. I was a contributor only to the sections concerning Evergy Missouri West and Evergy Missouri Metro.

Charles T. Poston Case History (continued):

Case Number	Utility	Testimony	Issue
	GR-2021-0108 Spire Missouri, Inc.	Class Cost of Service Report	Allocation of Distribution Costs
GR-2021-0108		Rebuttal	Meters/Services/Mains Allocators and Therms vs. CCF Billing
ER-2021-0240	Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri	Cost of Service Report	Callaway Energy Center Forced Outages

### Michael L. Stahlman

### **Education**

2009 M. S., Agricultural Economics, University of Missouri, Columbia.
 2007 B.A., Economics, Summa Cum Laude, Westminster College, Fulton, MO.

#### **Professional Experience**

2010 -	Regulatory Economist, Missouri Public Service Commission
2007 - 2009	Graduate Research Assistant, University of Missouri
2008	Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Missouri
2007	American Institute for Economic Research (AIER) Summer
	Fellowship Program
2006	Price Analysis Intern, Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute
	(FAPRI), Columbia, MO
2006	Legislative Intern for State Representative Munzlinger
2005 - 2006	Certified Tutor in Macroeconomics, Westminster College, Fulton, MO
1998 - 2004	Engineering Watch Supervisor, United States Navy

### **Expert Witness Testimony**

Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE GR-2010-0363
In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE for Authority to File
Tariffs Increasing Rates for Natural Gas Service Provided to Customers in the
Company's Missouri Service Area

Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri GT-2011-0410
In the Matter of the Union Electric Company's (d/b/a Ameren Missouri) Gas
Service Tariffs Removing Certain Provisions for Rebates from Its Missouri Energy
Efficient Natural Gas Equipment and Building Shell Measure Rebate Program

KCP&L Great Missouri Operations Company
In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Notice of Intent to File an Application for Authority to Establish a Demand-Side Programs Investment Mechanism

Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri EO-2012-0142
In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Filing to
Implement Regulatory Changes Furtherance of Energy Efficiency as Allowed by
MEEIA

Kansas City Power & Light Company EO-2012-0323
In the Matter of the Resource Plan of Kansas City Power & Light Company

KCP&L Great Missouri Operations Company EO-2012-0324 In the Matter of the Resource Plan of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company

Kansas City Power & Light Company, KCP&L Great Missouri EA-2013-0098
Operations Company, and Transource Missouri EO-2012-0367
In the Matter of the Application of Transource Missouri, LLC for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Construct, Finance, Own, Operate,

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and Maintain the Iatan-Nashua and Sibley-Nebraska City Electric Transmission Projects

Kansas City Power & Light Company

EO-2012-0135

KCP&L Great Missouri Operations Company

EO-2012-0136

In the Matter of the Application of Kansas City Power & Light Company [KCP&L Great Missouri Operations Company] for Authority to Extend the Transfer of Functional Control of Certain Transmission Assets to the Southwest Power Pool, Inc.

Kansas City Power & Light Company

EU-2014-0077

KCP&L Great Missouri Operations Company

In the Matter of the Application of Kansas City Power & Light Company and KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company for the Issuance of an Accounting Authority Order relating to their Electrical Operations and for a Contingent Waiver of the Notice Requirement of 4 CSR 240-4.020(2)

Kansas City Power & Light Company

EO-2014-0095

In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Notice of Intent to File an Application for Authority To Establish a Demand-Side Programs Investment Mechanism

Veolia Energy Kansas City, Inc

HR-2014-0066

In the Matter of Veolia Energy Kansas City, Inc for Authority to File Tariffs to Increase Rates

Grain Belt Express Clean Line, LLC

EA-2014-0207

In the Matter of the Application of Grain Belt Express Clean Line LLC for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Authorizing It to Construct, Own, Operate, Control, Manage, and Maintain a High Voltage, Direct Current Transmission Line and an Associated Converter Station Providing an Interconnection on the Maywood - Montgomery 345 kV Transmission Line

Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri

ER-2014-0258

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariff to Increase Its Revenues for Electric Service

Empire District Electric Company

ER-2014-0351

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company for Authority to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers in the Company's Missouri Service Area

Kansas City Power & Light Company

ER-2014-0370

In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service

Kansas City Power & Light Company

EO-2014-0240

In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Filing for Approval of Demand-Side Programs and for Authority to Establish a Demand-Side Programs Investment Mechanism

KCP&L Great Missouri Operations Company

EO-2014-0241

In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Filing for Approval of Demand-Side Programs and for Authority to Establish a Demand-Side Programs Investment Mechanism

Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois

EA-2015-0146

In the Matter of the Application of Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois for Other Relief or, in the Alternative, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Maintain and Otherwise Control and Manage a 345,000-volt Electric Transmission Line from Palmyra, Missouri to the Iowa Border and an Associated Substation Near Kirksville, Missouri

**Empire District Electric Company** 

ER-2016-0023

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service

KCP&L Great Missouri Operations Company

ER-2016-0156

In the Matter of KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company's Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Electric Service

Kansas City Power & Light Company

ER-2016-0285

In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Company's Request for Authority to Implement A General Rate Increase for Electric Service

Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri

ER-2016-0179

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariff to Increase Its Revenues for Electric Service

Grain Belt Express Clean Line, LLC

EA-2016-0358

In the Matter of the Application of Grain Belt Express Clean Line LLC for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Construct, Own, Operate, Control, Manage and Maintain a High Voltage, Direct Current Transmission Line and an Associated Converter Station Providing an Interconnection on the Maywood-Montgomery 345kV transmission line.

Spire Missouri, Inc.

GR-2017-0215 and GR-2017-0216

In the Matter of Spire Missouri, Inc.'s Request to Increase Its Revenues for Gas Service

Liberty Utilities

GR-2018-0013

In the Matter of Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities' Tariff Revisions Designed to Implement a General Rate Increase for Natural Gas Service in the Missouri Service Areas of the Company

Spire Missouri, Inc.

GO-2019-0058 and GO-2019-0059

In the Matter of Spire Missouri, Inc. d/b/a Spire's Request to Decrease [Increase] WNAR

Grain Belt Express Clean Line LLC Invenergy Transmission LLC

EM-2019-0150

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Invenergy Investment Company LLC

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Invenergy Transmission LLC, Invenergy Investment Company LLC, Grain Belt Express Clean Line LLC and Grain Belt Express Holding LLC for an Order Approving the Acquisition by Invenergy Transmission LLC of Grain Belt Express Clean Line LLC

Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri GR-2019-0077
In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariffs to
Increase its Revenues for Natural Gas Service

Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ER-2019-0335
In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariffs to
Decrease Its Revenues for Electric Service

Empire District Electric Company

In the Matter of The Empire District Electric Company's Request for Authority to File Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers in its Missouri Service Area

Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri EA-2020-0371
In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren
Missouri for Permission and Approval and a Certificate of Public Convenience
and Necessity Under 20 CSR 4240-3.105

Spire Missouri, Inc.

In the Matter of Spire Missouri Inc.'s d/b/a Spire Request for Authority to
Implement a General Rate Increase for Natural Gas Service Provided in the
Company's Missouri Service Areas

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- Stahlman, Michael. "The Amorality of Signals." Awarded in top 50 authors for SEVEN Fund essay competition, "The Morality of Profit."
- Stahlman, Michael, Laura M.J. McCann, and Haluk Gedikoglou. "Adoption of Phytase by Livestock Farmers." Selected poster at the American Agricultural Economics Association Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, July 27-29, 2008. Also presented at the USDA/CSREES Annual Meeting in St. Louis, MO in February 2009.
- McCann, Laura, Haluk Gedikoglu, Bob Broz, John Lory, Ray Massey, and Michael Stahlman. "Farm Size and Adoption of BMPs by AFOs." Selected poster at the 5<sup>th</sup> National Small Farm Conference in Springfield, IL in September 2009.