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April 26, 2002

FEDERAL EXPRESS

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission Governor Office Building 200 Madison Street, Suite 100 Jefferson City, MO 65101

Re:

Barbara Ross

Case No. **E**C-2002-388

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing are an original and eight (8) copies of the Answer filed on behalf of Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, in the above case.

Please return a file-stamped copy of the filing letter in the enclosed selfaddressed stamped envelope. If you have any questions or wish to further discuss this matter, I can be reached at (314) 554-3183.

Very truly yours,

Susan B. Knowles

Associate General Counsel

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Barbara Ross,)	
	Complainants,)	
VS.)	G N. #G 2002 200
AmerenUE,)	Case No. #C-2002-388
	Respondent.)	

ANSWER OF UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY, d/b/a AMERENUE TO COMPLAINT

Comes now Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, ("Respondent"), by and through its counsel, and in response to the Complaint filed by Barbara Ross and in accordance with instructions outlined in the Notice of Setting Time for Answer, dated April 23, 2002, from the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") states as follows:

- 1. Ms. Ross filed a complaint with the Missouri Public Service Commission on February 20, 2002 disputing certain charges associated with gas service provided by Respondent to Ms. Ross (Account No. 3663-088-1125-13) during a period in which the gas meter at her home was inoperable. Ms. Ross is both a gas and electric customer of Respondent. To the best of Respondent's knowledge, Ms. Ross received, and continues to receive, natural gas service from Respondent at all time relevant hereto.
- 2. Respondent's billing practices are in accordance with its tariffs filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Tariff Sheet No. 169) and pursuant to 4 CSR 240-13.025(1)(B), Billing Adjustment, the Company may make billing adjustments in the event of an undercharge.

3. Respondent properly followed its tariffs by estimating gas usage at Ms. Ross' residence and adjusting Ms. Ross' account in accordance with the above estimate for the period from July through December, 2001.

WHEREFORE, Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE requests this Complaint be dismissed, since the Respondent's action were consistent with the Commission approved tariffs and the Commission's regulations.

Dated: April 26, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

Union Electric Company, d/b/a/ AmerenUE

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served via U.S. first-class mail on this 26th day of April, 2002, on the following parties of record:

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