

Ameren Missouri  
Case Name: ER-2022-0337  
Docket No(s): 2022 Electric Rate Review

Response to Discovery Request: OPC 2-OPC 2027  
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Witness: N/A

Question: Does Ameren Missouri coordinate with the City of St. Louis and other affected political subdivisions when planning and executing excavation projects, including those impinging on street traffic flow (vehicular and pedestrian)? If yes, please provide a narrative explanation of how often and to what extent such activity occurs.

Response:

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Ameren Missouri does complete coordination efforts that cover all items mentioned in the question above. For each excavation project Ameren Missouri requires a detailed survey to be completed which allows us to coordinate the installation of our facilities with the other utilities in the area. Upon reviewing the survey information, if we find that there are utility crossings that require additional information we will reach out to discuss the projects with the respective utilities.

For all excavation projects of any sort it is required to obtain an City of St Louis BPS (Board of Public Services) Permit, and an Excavation Permit (For contractors only) in order to do construction in the City of St Louis. During these permitting processes Ameren is required to submit traffic plans, as well as construction drawings showing the work that is done and the areas that will be affected. After those are reviewed, we will typically receive feedback from the City of St Louis if there are any other planned projects in the area by other stakeholder (municipal, utility, etc).

In addition to the coordination efforts with the City of St Louis permitting authority, Ameren participates in a once a month meeting, that includes the City of St Louis and several other utility stakeholders (Spire, AT&T, MSD, Downtown Neighborhood Association, Verizon Wireless, MODOT, and Ashley Energy). The agenda for this meeting will normally cover Major City of St Louis events, utility project plans/updates, City of St Louis projects, and MODOT Work. In most instances the other utilities do not have work in the same area as us planned. However, in the event they do have work in this same area we will typically discuss timing on both projects to best coordinate the construction in the area and make arrangements to do it at the same time to avoid multiple disruptions to the same are.

Ameren Missouri also sends out construction traffic plans/maps for work we are doing in the City of St Louis to the DowntownSTL INC, and they post these work zones on their website,

as well as all other utilities and known events. This is a primarily a downtown St Louis function but does also provide information outside of Downtown as well.