BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Adjustment of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Fuel Adjustment Clause for The 20th Accumulation Period

Case No. ER-2016-0130 Tariff No. YE-2016-0187

STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE COMPLIANCE TARIFF SHEET AND MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT

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COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, and, as ordered by the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") on January 21, 2016, files its *Staff Recommendation to Approve Compliance Tariff Sheet and Motion for Expedited Treatment* as follows:

1. On January 12, 2016, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri"), Staff, the Office of Public Counsel ("OPC") and the Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers ("MIEC") filed a *Nonunanimous Stipulation and Agreement* ("Stipulation") requesting the Commission issue an order approving the terms of the Stipulation, including the requested variances, rejecting the substitute tariff sheet filed by Ameren Missouri on December 22, 2015, and ordering the Stipulation's exemplar tariff sheet be filed to become effective on January 27, 2016.

2. On January 20, 2016, the Commission issued an order, effective January 27, 2016, which approved the Stipulation and requested variances, rejected the tariff sheet previously filed by Ameren Missouri, and directed Ameren Missouri to file the Stipulation's exemplar tariff sheet in compliance with its *Order*.

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3. On January 21, 2016, Ameren Missouri filed the Stipulation's exemplar tariff sheet with an effective date of January 27, 2016, and filed a *Motion for Expedited Treatment*.

4. On January 21, 2016, the Commission ordered Staff to review the compliance tariff sheet and file a recommendation as to whether the tariff sheet is in compliance with the Commission's January 20th Order, and whether Ameren Missouri's *Motion for Expedited Treatment* should be granted..

5. Staff has reviewed the tariff sheet filed by Ameren Missouri on January 21, 2016, and has determined it complies with the Commission's *Order* and the Stipulation. Further, Staff is of the opinion that good cause exists for Ameren Missouri's *Motion for Expedited Treatment* because the tariff sheet passes on to ratepayers a reduction to their FAC charges, and recommends it be granted.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends the Commission grant Ameren Missouri's *Request for Expedited Treatment* and issue an order approving the following proposed tariff sheet, as filed on January 21, 2016, to become effective on January 27, 2016, as requested by Ameren Missouri:

MO.P.S.C. Schedule No. 6

2nd Revised Sheet No. 73.11 Cancelling 1st Revised Sheet No. 73.11.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 25th day of January 2016, to all counsel of record.

<u>/s/ Mark Johnson</u>