

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office in  
Jefferson City on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of  
February, 2015.

In the Matter of a Repository File Concerning	)	
Staff's Review of the Commission's Fuel Adjustment	)	<b><u>File No. EW-2011-0139</u></b>
Clause Rules	)	

**ORDER REGARDING TIMELINE FOR REVIEW**

Issue Date: February 4, 2015

Effective Date: February 4, 2015

The Commission opened this working case in 2010 to facilitate Staff's review of the Commission's rules regarding fuel adjustment clauses for electric utilities. Because this is a working case, and not a contested case, the Commission has not previously established a procedural schedule to direct the pace of Staff's review.

On December 16, 2014, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri, Kansas City Power & Light Company, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company, and The Empire District Electric Company jointly filed a proposal asking the Commission to establish a timeline for completion of Staff's review of those rules and to allow additional time for stakeholders to respond to Staff's proposed revisions to those rules. The proposal suggests Staff be directed to hold additional workshops in March, May and July, 2015, and that additional dates be established for various actions by Staff and stakeholders.

The impetus for the electric utilities' joint filing was Staff's request that stakeholders respond by December 23 to a draft rule revision submitted by Staff on December 3. Essentially, through their filing, the electric utilities sought more time to respond to Staff's draft

revisions. Neither Staff nor any other stakeholder opposed the electric utilities' request, and Staff has not pressed the stakeholders for a quick response to its draft rule revisions.

The Commission wants to allow Staff the flexibility to consider, draft, and discuss possible rule revisions with stakeholders in the manner of Staff's choosing. For that reason, the Commission will not establish a procedural schedule for the completion of that review. However, this rule review is important, and it is appropriate to give Staff guidance on when it should be prepared to complete its task. The electric utilities suggest Staff complete its review and provide the Commission with its recommendation regarding changes to the fuel adjustment clause rules by September 15, 2015. That time is reasonable, and the Commission will direct Staff to offer its recommendation by that date.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Commission's Staff shall complete its review and provide the Commission with its recommendation regarding changes to the fuel adjustment clause rules by September 15, 2015.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

R. Kenney, Chm., W. Kenney, Hall & Rupp, CC., concur;  
Stoll, C., absent.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge