

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Proposed Amendment to)
Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-18.010)

Case No. EX-2003-0368

STATEMENT OF UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY IN SUPPORT

In the November 17, 2003, issue of the Missouri Register, the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") published its proposed amendment to 4 CSR 240-18.010. The Commission proposes to adopt as its rule and incorporate by reference Parts 1, 2 and 3 and Sections 1, 2 and 9 of the 2002 edition of the National Electrical Safety Code.

Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE fully supports the adoption of the 2002 edition. It is vitally important—for the electric utilities, the public and the Commission—that the latest edition of the Code be in force.

The proposed amendment includes a new paragraph (3) that references the incident reporting requirements of a newly proposed rule, 4 CSR 240-3.190(4). Union Electric is commenting separately on that new rule, and does not support it in the context of 18.010.

Respectfully submitted,

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