

Lloyd Klinedinst statement
NOT IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST !!!

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My name is Dr. Lloyd Klinedinst

I have been a resident of Franklin County, living with my wife in Villa Ridge since 1978.

We have 2 children and 4 grandchildren. Both children graduated from Pacific High School. Two grandchildren have graduated also from PHS. One grandchild graduated from Lafayette HS; one is still attending LHS in Rockwood.

I have spent my professional career as a teacher and administrator in Parkway School District, also teaching as an adjunct professor at Washington University, Maryville and Fontbonne Universities.

When we shopped for our first home together, my wife and I held community and neighborhood values high. We looked in St Louis city and Franklin County. One other criterion important to us is environment, the air we breathe and the land we live on. That's why we chose to live here.

We are:

committed

educated (that is, informed by reading and reflecting on issues of important to our lives)

concerned

about our community. That is why we are making statements at this hearing.

I cite one passage from, and I quote the short title, which is like the ballot plain language explanation:

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

In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric)
Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri for Permission and)
Approval and a Certificate of Public)
Convenience and Necessity Authorizing)
it to Construct, Install, Own,)
Operate, Maintain, and Otherwise Control and Manage)
A Utility Waste Landfill and Related Facilities at its)
Labadie Energy Center.)
File No. EA-2012-0281

**APPLICATION OF UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a
AMEREN MISSOURI**

**FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND
NECESSITY**

~~I already have the image of a wolf in fox's clothing,
UE not even pretending to disguise itself as a
sheep, to deceive what they perhaps perceive as
the sheepish residents of Franklin County.~~

Here is the passage:

On p 2 of the application section 2 of Part I

Applicant, it reads:

Applicant has no pending actions or final

unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involve customer service or rates, which action, judgment, or decision has occurred within three years of the date of this Application, other than cases currently pending before the Commission, [AND SO FORTH] an appeal of a fuel adjustment clause disallowance pending in the Missouri Western District Court of Appeals (Docket No. WD75403), and an appeal of one aspect of the Commission's Report and Order in the Company's most recent electric rate case (Commission Case No. ER-2012-0166; Court of Appeals Case No. WD75980). The Applicant has no annual reports or assessment fees that are overdue.

There is no mention of other serious contested issues: I include for the record 4 Notices of Violations (NOVs) all dated June 27, 2012, An Ameren letter dated August 14, 2012 asked for a meeting with the Illinois EPA. Yet this year 4 Notices of Intent to Pursue Legal Action (NOIs) all dated February 13, 2013 were sent to Ameren by the Illinois EPA.

SO right next door in Illinois, where they have begun to monitor and try to curb the health and environment risks of coal burning energy sources, Ameren has at least four NOVs and NOIs, one of

which involves the Grand Tower plant just 30 miles up the Mississippi from our own Cape Girardeau. And that involves a plant that is no longer coal burning.

So might we not conclude that even after the Labadie plant might shut down, due to old age and diminishing returns on profitability, it will remain a scar on the face of Franklin County, worse than a scar, a continuing seeping wound, if like the Illinois plants, even after closing, are still found in violation of EPA National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) standards. (see 8 attached documents)?

In fact, to look at our wounds and who is paying for them for a moment, I cite the abstract from the 98 page report entitled: Full cost accounting for the life cycle of coal by

Paul R. Epstein,¹ [AND ELEVEN OTHERS] Jonathan J. Buonocore,² Kevin Eckerle,³ Michael Hendryx,⁴ Benjamin M. Stout III,⁵ Richard Heinberg,⁶ Richard W. Clapp,⁷ Beverly May,⁸ Nancy L. Reinhart,⁸ Melissa M. Ahern,⁹ Samir K. Doshi,¹⁰ and Leslie Glustrom¹¹

in the prestigious ANNALS OF THE NEW YORK ACADEMY OF SCIENCES:

[I quote]

Each stage in the life cycle of coal—extraction, transport, processing, and combustion—generates a waste stream and carries multiple hazards for health and the environment. These costs are external to the coal industry and are thus often considered “externalities.” ... Many of these so-called externalities are, moreover, cumulative. Accounting for the damages conservatively doubles to triples the price of electricity from coal per kWh generated, making wind, solar, and other forms of nonfossil fuel power generation, along with investments in efficiency and electricity conservation methods, economically competitive.

In the last public hearing I remember being at, in this very room, we as citizens spoke of needing to pay for the cost of our convenient and efficient energy use. After all we are paying two to three times more for our transportation fuel costs. But that doesn't justify the record breaking profits of the petroleum companies or inappropriate profits of our own utility companies.

Now the burden of public office is upon you, PSC. In your Mission Statement, the first of five items which follow: "We will:" is:



ensure that Missourians receive safe and reliable utility services at just, reasonable and affordable rates

and the last of the five is:

provide an efficient regulatory process that is responsive to all parties, and perform our duties ethically and professionally.

SO, will you act as a government by, of and for the people or NOT? Public service or private interest? ... Please do not act like our presiding commissioner who has become a public menace by his shameless actions in not stopping this waste landfill project at the county level.

Thank you for your attention to my voice in this matter of life and death. The quality of our life. The death of our land.

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