BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a) Ameren Missouri's Cost Allocation Manual (CAM))

SECOND STATUS REPORT

COME NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through the Staff Counsel's Office, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri"), and the Office of the Public Counsel ("Public Counsel")(collectively "the Parties") and hereby file their *Status Report* pursuant to the November 4, 2019, *Order Directing the Parties File a Status Report*. In support thereof, the Parties state as follows:

Background

1. On August 16, 2019, Staff and Ameren Missouri filed a *Joint Motion to Stay Proceeding* proposing to stay the instant proceeding because File No. AW-2018-0394 will likely result in the initiation by the Commission of a formal rulemaking under Chapter 536 RSMo regarding changes to the Affiliate Transactions Rule ("ATR"). On August 23, 2019, Public Counsel filed its *Response of the Office of the Public Counsel to the Joint Motion of Union Electric d/b/a Ameren Missouri and the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission to Stay Proceeding*. With qualifications, Public Counsel did not object to a stay of the proceedings.

2. Subsequently on August 23, 2019, the Commission issued its *Order Staying Proceedings*, finding the motion to stay these proceedings to be reasonable, and directing the Parties to file a motion to end the stay or a status report no later than November 4, 2019.

3. On September 16, 2019, in File No. AW-2018-0394, Staff filed a revised draft ATR in response to the Commission's July 17, 2019, *Order Directing Staff To File A Draft Rule* in that file.

4. On November 4, 2019, in the instant case, the Parties filed their *Status Report*, indicating that, at that time, it was the Parties belief that the best course of action was to continue pursuing the ATR rulemaking and staying the Ameren Missouri CAM proceeding in the interim. Later on November 4, 2019, the Commission directed the Parties to file a further status report no later than January 31, 2020.

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5. On November 6, 2019, in File No. AW-2018-0394, Staff submitted a redlined version of its revised draft ATR with explanations for each individual change. On November 7, 2019, the Commission issued its *Order Requesting Additional Responses*, and on December 9, 2019, interested stakeholders submitted further comments.

6. Staff has compiled and reviewed the additional comments filed in File No. AW-2018-0394, and is currently in the process of finalizing a third version of draft ATRs, which it hopes will be ready to proceed towards the formal rulemaking process. At this time, the Parties still believe the best course remains pursuing the ATR rulemaking and staying the Ameren Missouri CAM proceeding in the interim.

WHEREFORE Staff, Ameren Missouri, and Public Counsel pray the Commission will accept their January 30, 2020, Status Report.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, handdelivered, transmitted by facsimile, or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 30th day of January 2020.

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