# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of a Proceeding Under	)	
Section 393.137 (SB 564) to Adjust the	)	
Electric Rates of Union Electric Company	)	File No. ER-2018-0362
d/b/a Ameren Missouri.	)	
Facility.		

# JOINT MOTION FOR ADOPTION OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

COME NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Company" or "Ameren Missouri"), the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), the Office of the Public Counsel ("OPC"), the Missouri Energy Consumers Group ("MECG"), the Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers ("MIEC"), the Consumers Council of Missouri ("CCM"), the Missouri Division of Energy ("DE"), and Renew Missouri Advocates d/b/a Renew Missouri ("Renew Missouri), being all the parties to this case, and hereby submit this Joint Motion for Adoption of Procedural Schedule, as follows:

1. At a Prehearing Conference held on June 14, 2018, the Presiding Officer ordered the parties to file a proposed procedural schedule that would allow the Commission to issue a timely order under the terms of Section 393.137. The parties have agreed on such a schedule.

# **Proposed Procedural Schedule**

Company Direct Testimony Due	June 27, 2018
Rebuttal Testimony Due	July 13, 2018
List of Issues, List of Witnesses, and Order of Cross-Examination Due	July 19, 2018
Position Statements Due	July 23, 2018
Evidentiary Hearing <sup>1</sup>	July 24, 2018

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The parties agree that surrebuttal/cross-surrebuttal testimony directed to rebuttal testimony may be offered a live testimony at the evidentiary hearing. The parties request the Commission order a 24-hour turnaround on the hearing transcript.

# **Proposed Procedural Requirements**

- (a) Except with respect to offering live surrebuttal/cross-surrebuttal as agreed, all parties must comply with the requirements of Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.130 for prepared testimony, including the requirement that testimony be filed on line-numbered pages.
- (b) Although not all parties may agree upon how each issue should be described or on whether a listed issue is in fact a proper issue in this case, the parties shall agree upon and file a list of the issues to be heard, the witnesses to appear on each day of the hearing, the order in which they will be called, and the order of cross-examination for each witness. The list of issues should be detailed enough to inform the Commission of each issue that must be resolved. The Commission will view any issue not contained in this list of issues as uncontested and not requiring resolution by the Commission.
- (c) Each party shall file a simple and concise statement summarizing its position on each disputed issue. Position statements shall track the list of issues. Any position statement shall set forth any order requested, cite any law authorizing that relief, and allege facts relevant under that law with citations to any pre-filed testimony in support.
- (d) All pleadings, briefs, and amendments shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080. Briefs shall follow the same list of issues as filed in the case and must set forth and cite the proper portions of the record concerning the remaining unresolved issues that are to be decided by the Commission.
- (e) If part of testimony or documents are prefiled and served upon the parties before a hearing, a party need only provide a copy of the testimony or document to the court reporter for marking as an exhibit. If not prefiled and served upon the parties, then a party who has a document marked for use at the hearing shall have sufficient copies of the document to provide a copy not only to the court reporter, but also to each of the Commissioners, the presiding officer, and counsel for each other party.
- (f) All parties shall provide copies of testimony (including schedules), exhibits, and pleadings to other counsel by electronic means and in electronic form, essentially concurrently with the filing of such testimony, exhibits, or pleadings where the information is available in electronic format (.PDF, .DOC, .WPD, .XLS, etc.). Parties are not required to put information that does not already exist in electronic format into electronic format for purposes of exchanging.
- (g) Public documents filed in the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System ("EFIS") shall be considered properly served by serving the same on counsel of record for all other parties via e-mail. The parties agree confidential documents may be obtained from EFIS and so agree not to serve those documents via e-mail.

- (h) Counsel for each party shall receive electronically from all other parties serving a data request, an electronic copy of the text of the "description" of that data request contemporaneously with service of the data request. Data requests issued to or by Staff shall be submitted and responded to in EFIS, if feasible, or in electronic format on compact disc, or by other means agreed to by counsel, if infeasible. Also regarding Staff-issued data requests, if the description contains highly confidential or proprietary information, or is voluminous, a hyperlink to the EFIS record of that data request shall be considered a sufficient copy. Data requests, objections to data requests, and notifications respecting the need for additional time to respond to data requests shall be sent by e-mail to counsel for the other parties. Counsel may designate other personnel to be added to the service list for data requests, but shall assume responsibility for compliance with any restrictions on confidentiality. Data request responses shall be served on counsel for the requesting party, unless waived by counsel, and on the requesting party's employee or representative who submitted the data request, and shall be served electronically, if feasible and not voluminous as defined by Commission rule. In the case of Ameren Missouri data request responses, Ameren Missouri shall post its data request responses on its Caseworks Extranet site; however, in the case of responses to data requests Staff issues, Ameren Missouri shall also submit the responses to Staff data requests in EFIS, if feasible, or in electronic format on compact disc or by other means agreed to by Staff counsel, if infeasible.
- (i) The parties shall make an effort to not include confidential information in data requests. If confidential information must be included in a data request, the confidential information shall be appropriately designated as such pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.135.
- (j) The response time for all data requests shall be five (5) business days, with two (2) business days to object or notify the requesting party that more than five (5) business days will be needed to provide the requested information. If a data request has been responded to, a party's request for a copy of the response shall be timely responded to without waiting the full response time allowed (except that, with the exception of responses to Staff, responses will not be needed for Ameren Missouri data request responses posted on Ameren Missouri's Caseworks Extranet site).
- (k) Workpapers prepared in the course of developing a testimony shall not be filed with the Commission, but shall be submitted to each party within two (2) business days following the filing of the testimony document, unless a party has indicated that it does not want to receive some or all of the workpapers. Workpapers containing confidential information shall be appropriately marked. If there are no workpapers associated with testimony, the party's attorney shall so notify the other parties within the time allowed for providing those workpapers.
- (l) Where workpapers or data request responses include models or spreadsheets or similar information originally in a commonly available format where inputs or parameters may be changed to observe changes in inputs, if available in that original format, the party providing the workpaper or response shall provide this type of information in that original format with formulas intact. With the exception of workpapers provided to Staff, Ameren Missouri may provide workpapers by posting the same on its Caseworks Extranet site, with e-mail notification to counsel for the parties to be provided essentially concurrently with the posting

- of workpapers on the Extranet site. Ameren Missouri shall provide its workpapers to Staff in electronic format by e-mailing or by delivery of a compact disc or other electronic storage.
- (m) Commission Rule 4 CSR 2.090's requirement that a party must seek a telephone conference with the presiding officer before filing a discovery motion shall be waived.

WHEREFORE, the parties request the Commission issue its order adopting the procedural schedule and procedural requirements proposed herein.

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that true and correct copies of the foregoing was served on the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel via electronic mail (e-mail) on this 15th day of June, 2018.

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