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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE OF MISSOURIMissouri Public
Service Commission

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a)
AmerenUE for Authority to File Tariffs Increasing)
Rates for Electric Service Provided to Customers)
In the Company's Missouri Service Area.)

Case No. ER-2007-0002

PREHEARING BRIEF
OF THE MISSOURI ASSOCIATION FOR SOCIAL WELFARE

On July 10, 2006, Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE ("AmerenUE") submitted to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") certain proposed tariff sheets to implement a general rate increase for retail electric service to customers in its Missouri service area.

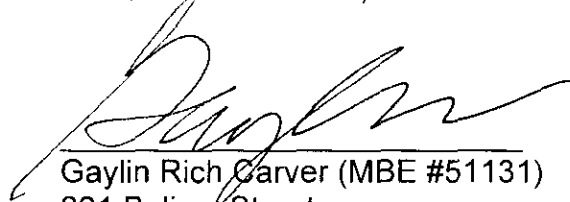
Rate Design – Essential Service Rate

***Issue:** Should an essential service rate be adopted in the rate design for residential customers?*

***Response:** An essential service rate should be adopted. (See Quinn Direct, Ex. 800, pp. 2-10 and Quinn Surrebuttal, Ex. 801, pp. 2-9).*

Respectfully Submitted,

HENDREN ANDRAE, LLC

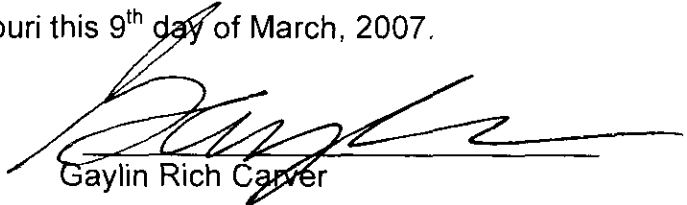


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, I hereby certify that I have this day caused a copy of the foregoing to be served on all persons on the official service list in Docket No. ER 2007-0002 by electronic means or by U.S. mail, postage prepaid.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri this 9th day of March, 2007.



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