

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office in
Jefferson City on the 5th day of
April, 2007.

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a)	
AmerenUE's Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric)	<u>Case No. ER-2007-0002</u>
Service Provided to Customers in the Company's)	Tariff No. YE-2007-0007
Missouri Service Area)	

**ORDER APPROVING PARTIAL STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT
CONCERNING CLASS COST OF SERVICE AND CERTAIN RATE
DESIGN ISSUES FILED ON MARCH 22, 2007**

Issue Date: April 5, 2007

Effective Date: April 15, 2007

On March 22, 2007, during the course of the hearing of this case, several parties filed a partial nonunanimous stipulation and agreement concerning class cost of service and certain rate design issues. The partial stipulation and agreement was signed by the following parties: the Staff of the Commission; the Office of the Public Counsel; AARP; Consumers Council of Missouri, Missouri Energy Group; Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers; Missouri Retailers Association; Noranda Aluminum, Inc.; and The Commercial Group. The partial stipulation and agreement reflected the agreement of the signatory parties regarding several issues that would otherwise have been the subject of testimony presented to the Commission at the evidentiary hearing conducted from March 12 through March 29, 2007.

The partial stipulation resolves many issues regarding class cost of service and rate design, but it specifically does not resolve three rate design and miscellaneous tariff issues.

Those unresolved issues are as follows:

1. AmerenUE's proposal to implement economic development and retention riders (Rider EDRR, Rider EDR)
2. AmerenUE's proposed Industrial Response Pilot (Rider DRP)
3. The "SafetyNet" proposal that customers be provided credits of \$25 per day for electric outages that extend beyond 48 hours.

In addition, the parties orally agreed, on the record, that Missouri Association for Social Welfare's proposal to implement an essential services rate was not resolved by the partial stipulation and agreement. The Commission received testimony and other evidence on all four unresolved issues and will address each issue in its report and order.

The partial stipulation and agreement is nonunanimous in that it was not signed by all parties. However, Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.115(2) provides that other parties have seven days in which to object to a nonunanimous stipulation and agreement. If no party files a timely objection to the stipulation and agreement, then the Commission may treat it as a unanimous stipulation and agreement. More than seven days have now passed since the partial stipulation and agreement was filed. Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE did not sign the stipulation and agreement and initially filed a limited objection to the stipulation. Subsequently, however, AmerenUE withdrew that objection. No other party has objected. Therefore, the Commission will treat the partial stipulation and agreement as a unanimous partial stipulation and agreement.

The Commission conducted an on-the-record presentation regarding this and other partial stipulations and agreements on March 28. At that time, the Commission questioned the parties about the various stipulations and agreements.

After reviewing the partial stipulation and agreement and after hearing the arguments and explanations of the parties, the Commission finds that the partial stipulation and agreement concerning class cost of service and certain rate design issues should be approved as a resolution of the issues addressed by that partial stipulation and agreement. In approving this partial stipulation and agreement, the Commission is only accepting the agreement of the parties to resolve these particular issues in this particular case. The Commission is not endorsing any particular position with regarding to these issues and its approval of this partial stipulation and agreement should not be interpreted as such an endorsement in any future case.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The partial stipulation and agreement concerning class cost of service and certain rate design issues, filed on March 22, 2007, is approved as a resolution of the issues addressed in that partial stipulation and agreement. A copy of the partial stipulation and agreement is attached to this order as Exhibit A.
2. The signatory parties are ordered to comply with the terms of the partial stipulation and agreement.

3. This order shall become effective on April 15, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Davis, Chm., Murray, Gaw, Clayton and Appling, CC., concur

Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge