

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

In the Matter of Union Electric Company,	)	
d/b/a AmerenUE's Tariffs to Increase Its	)	Case No. ER-2010-0036
Annual Revenues for Electric Service	)	

**MISSOURI INDUSTRIAL ENERGY CONSUMERS' REQUEST FOR AN EXPEDITED  
RULING ON ITS REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT ON  
MIDWEST ENERGY USERS' ASSOCIATION'S  
MOTION TO COMPEL**

Missouri Industrial Energy Consumers ("MIEC") moves for an expedited ruling on its February 18, 2010 Request for a Hearing on Midwest Energy Users' Association's ("MEUA") Motion to Compel.

**MOTION**

1. On February 15, 2010, MEUA filed a Motion to Compel responses to its First Set of Data Requests directed to the individual members of MIEC. In its motion, MEUA requested that the Commission order MIEC to respond to its motion no later than February 22, 2010. MEUA additionally requested that the Commission Rule on its motion by February 24, 2010.

2. On February 16, 2010, the Commission ordered MIEC to respond to MEUA's motion no later than February 19, 2010.

3. On February 18, 2010, MIEC filed a Request for a Hearing in which it asked the Commission to conduct a hearing before ruling on MEUA's Motion to Compel.

4. On February 18, 2010, the Court issued an Order indicating that it would consider MIEC's request for a hearing, and indicating that its previous Order remained in effect.

5. MIEC timely filed its response to MEUA's Motion to Compel, stating that MEUA's Motion to Compel and First Set of Data Requests to MIEC were directed at an improper purpose, sought information not reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of

admissible evidence, and sought information protected by the attorney-client and work product privileges.

6. To date, the Court has not ruled on MIEC's Request for a Hearing filed on February 18, 2010.

7. Pursuant to the Commission's published Agenda, the Commission is scheduled to rule on MEUA's Motion to Compel on February 24, 2010.

8. Under the expedient circumstances of this case, and due to the grave impact an Order granting MUEA's Motion to Compel would have on the constituent members of MIEC, and in light of the serious nature of the objections MIEC has raised to MEUA's Motion and Data Requests, the public interest would be served by the Commission permitting at least a brief period of oral argument at or before its February 24, 2010 meeting.

9. WHEREFORE, MIEC respectfully requests that the Commission issue an expedited Order granting MIEC's Request for Oral Argument on MEUA's Motion to Compel.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of the foregoing was sent by electronic mail this 23rd day of February to each person on the Commission's official service list in this case.

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