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## **VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS**

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102 SEP 2 2 1999

Missouri Public Service Commission

Re: MPSC Case No. EC-2000-151

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, in the above matter please find an original and fourteen (14) copies of the following:

- 1. Answer of Respondent
- 2. Motion to Consolidate Complaint Cases

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this filing by stamping a copy of the enclosed letter and returning it to me in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

Very truly yours,

∕James J. Cook

Managing Associate General Counsel

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cc: Office of Public Counsel

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# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION STATE OF MISSOURI Complainant

Case No. EC-2000-151

V. Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent

Buster McGowin

#### MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE COMPLAINT CASES

Comes now Union Electric Company, doing business as AmerenUE and respectfully requests that the Missouri Public Service Commission consolidate this complaint case with the other cases listed on Attachment 1 attached hereto. In support of this request, AmerenUE states the following:

- 1. On August 23, 26, 30, and September 2, the Commission issued 43 Notices of Complaint against Union Electric Company.
- 2. All of the complaint cases have the same factual situations underlying them-- that is a series of power outages in one area of AmerenUE's electric service territory. Almost all of the complaints contain the same typed words setting out the complaint, with only the name of the complainant handwritten at the top of the pleading. As such, it is obvious that each complaint case involves the same concerns about AmerenUE's actions.
- 3. AmerenUE submits that its answer to the complaints, and its defense to each of them, should hearings be required will be the same in every case.
- 4. Some Complainants have set out specific concerns about the effects of the outages. These additional claims do not significantly change the basic claims of the complaints, nor the defense that the Company would make if the cases go to hearing.



5 The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission has indicated to the undersigned attorney for AmerenUE that the Staff does not object to the consolidation of this case.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated above, AmerenUE asks that the Commission order that this case be consolidated for all purposes, with the other similar cases set out on Attachment 1, as appropriate under the Commission's rules.

Respectfully submitted,

UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a AmerenUE

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DATED: September 21, 1999

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing was served via first-class U.S. mail, postage prepaid, on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 1999, to the Office of Public Counsel and Complainant.

'James J. Cook

## **ATTACHMENT 1**

Frank E. Dilley Complainant	)	
v.	) Case No. EC-200	00-63
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )	
Respondent	,	
Marshall E. Humphreys, III Complainant	)	
v.	) Case No. EC-200	00-64
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )	
Donald L. Hibler Complainant	)	
v.	) Case No. EC-200	00-70
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )	
Quentin Lupardus Complainant	)	
<b>v</b>	) Case No. EC-20	00-71
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )	

John J. Williams, II Complainant	) ) )	
V.	) (	Case No. EC-2000-72
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )	
Georgette A. Patterson Complainant v.	) ) )	Case No. EC-2000-73
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )	
Donald D. Patterson Complainant	)	
v.	)	Case No. EC-2000-74
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )	
William W. Patterson Complainant	)	
v.	)	Case No. EC-2000-75
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )	

Joseph P. Alieksaites Complainant  v.  Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) Case No. EC-2000-76 ) ) )
Mildred Alieksaites Complainant  v.  Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) Case No. EC-2000-77 ) ) )
Herbert Nixdorf Complainant  v.  Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) Case No. EC-2000-78 ) )
Linda Sue Nixdorf Complainant  v.  Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) Case No. EC-2000-79 ) )

Jo Ann Jeffries	)	
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Betty J. Drace	)	
Complainant	)	
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James M. Myers	)	
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Lucretia Drace	)	
Complainant	)	
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d/b/a AmerenUE	Ś	
Respondent	Ś	
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David and Brenda Haley	)	
Complainant	í	
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Sharon K. Abbott	,	
Complainant	<b>\</b>	
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Gene S. Bax Complainant	) )	
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Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )	
Robert J. Sparrow Complainant	)	
v.	)	Case No. EC-2000-90
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE	) ) )	
Respondent	)	
Pauline Hensley Complainant	)	
v.	)	Case No. EC-2000-93
Union Electric Company	)	
d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	)	
Douglas Zeigenbein	·	
Complainant	)	
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James A. Pankey Complainant	)
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Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )
Deitra Brouk Complainant v.	) ) ) Case No. EC-2000-132
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )
Kenneth and Marilyn Carico Complainant	) }
v. Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE	) Case No. EC-2000-136 )
Respondent	)
Lloyd E. Reed Complainant	)
v.	) Case No. EC-2000-137
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	)

Randolph E. Shipp Complainant  v. Union Electric Company	)	Case No. EC-2000-138
d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	)	
Eddie Reed Complainant v.	) ) )	Case No. EC-2000-139
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	)	
James and Melissa Carico Complainant	)	Case No. EC-2000-147
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )	Case No. EC-2000-147
Tammy Byrd Complainant v.	) ) )	Case No. EC-2000-149
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	)	

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Steve Byrd Complainant	) ) )	
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Buster McGowin Complainant	) ) )	
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Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )	
Myna McGowin Complainant	)	
v.	) Case No. EC-2000-15	52
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )	
Steven D. Patterson Complainant	) )	
v.	) Case No. EC-2000-1	74
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	)	

Ruby Otto	)
Complainant	)
<b>v</b> .	) Case No. EC-2000-183
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )
Lonnie Jeffries Complainant	)
v.	) Case No. EC-2000-184
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	) ) )
James and Rita Jeffries Complainant	)
V.	) Case No. EC-2000-201
Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE Respondent	)
Respondent	)