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

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Noranda Aluminum, Inc., et al., Complainants, v. Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri, Respondent.

File No. EC-2014-0223

## <u>APPLICATION TO INTERVENE OF</u> <u>MISSOURI RETAILERS ASSOCIATION</u>

**COMES NOW** the Missouri Retailers Association (MRA), by and through counsel, pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.075, and applies to intervene in support of Complainant and become a party in the above-referenced case. In support of its Application to Intervene, MRA states as follows:

1. The Missouri Retailers Association (MRA) is a not-for-profit benevolent corporation, incorporated in Missouri. A copy of MRA's corporate papers is attached as Exhibit A.

2. MRA is dedicated to serving the needs of retailers and grocers and their distribution facilities statewide. MRA has several members who are served by Ameren Missouri and which rely on dependable electric service at reasonable rates in order to survive in the current economy; in order to employ their workforce; and to continue to provide their products and services at reasonable prices. The MRA's interest is different from the interest of the general public.

3. MRA's members take service under Ameren Missouri's Small General Service and Large General Service/Small Primary Service tariff. Its members' rates will be affected by the requested relief in this file.

4. The Missouri Public Service Commission has previously recognized MRA's interest in proceedings affecting Ameren Missouri's rates for electric service in permitting

MRA's intervention in prior Ameren Missouri proceedings, for example, File Numbers ER-2010-0036 and ER-2012-0166.

5. MRA is opposed to any unjust and unreasonable revenue requirement for its members served by Ameren Missouri.

6. Granting the proposed intervention would serve the public interest by providing the Commission with additional perspective on the issues raised in the case.

7. Correspondence, communications, orders and decisions in this matter should be addressed to:

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**WHEREFORE**, for the foregoing reasons, the Missouri Retailers Association respectfully requests that the Commission grant its Application to Intervene in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

BLITZ, BARDGETT & DEUTSCH, L.C.

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that true copies of the foregoing Application to Intervene were sent to each of the following via electronic transmission this 11th day of March, 2014:

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#### ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE MISSOURI RETAILERS ASSOCIATION.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, the undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Missouri relating to benevolent, religious, scientific, educational and miscellaneous associations, under Article 10, Chapter 32, of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, 1929, in connection with others, have entered into the following agreement:

> FIRST: The name of this association shall be THE MISSOURI RETAILERS ASSOCIATION.

SECOND: The location of this association shall be in the City of St. Louis, State of Missouri.

THIRD) This association is organized, not for pecuniary profit in any form, but for benevolent, scientific and educational purposes; that is, for being useful to the public by fostering and promoting movements having as their object the civic improvement of the State of Missouri; educating its members and their employees in the improvement of business standards in their relation to the civic life of the State; promoting friendly intercourse between merchants engaged in the retail trade for the purpose of inculcating high ideals respecting the conduct of trade, and the improvement of conditions touching their employees; discussing for public advantage proposed state legislation affecting the welfare of merchants and workers in retail mercantile establishments; to obtain and enjoy a place of common and, friendly intercourse with all the rights, privileges and powers conferred by law or in any wise appertaining to such politic and corporate bodies; to acquire, own, hold, incumber and dispose of real estate and personal pro-

**EXHIBIT** 

perty necessary for or advantageous to the foregoing purposes, and to do any and all things which may be necessary and proper to carry into effect the said objects and purposes, it being expressly declared, however, that this corporation shall neither directly nor indirectly employ any of its activities for its pecuniary gain or profit, or for any business purposes.

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FOURTH: This association shall have the power, through its Board of Directors or through its members at the annual meeting or at any special meeting duly called for that purpose, to make and adopt by-laws and rules and regulations for its government; for the admission of new members and the basis upon which they shall be admitted and their qualifications and for the management of its affairs, and may provide for all things necessary and proper for the benefit and successful management of the affairs of this association, provided that all such by-laws shall be in conformity with the laws of the State of Missouri and not inconsistent with the provisions of these Articles of Agreement or any amendments thereto:

FIFTH: The duration of the corporate existence shall be perpetual:

TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 1933. President

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G.J. Nooney, President, St.Louis, Missouri	Fred M. Lee, Kansas City, Missouri C.H. Sonnenberg, Hannibal, Missouri	M.L. Brownlow, Springfield, Missouri	
Chas. H. Diel, Secretary, Chas. H. Diel, Secretary, St. Iouis, Missouri S.B. Butler, Treasurer, St.Louis, Missouri	T.R. Wall, Jr. Şt.Joseph, Missouri R.E. Lamkin, Cape Girardeau, Missouri	F.M. Wayfield; StiLouis, Missouri Chas. E. Williams; StiLouis, Missouri J.W. Jenkins, III Kansas City, Missouri	Morton J. May, St.Louis, Missouri G.C. Peters, Kansas City, Missouri



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IN THE

# Circuit Court, City of St. Louis, State of Missouri,

IN THE MATTER OF #3682

SS.

The Missouri Retailers

STATE OF MISSOURI)

City of St. Louis

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Association

And now this day come G. J. Nooney. Chas. H. Diehl as President, as Secretary, and S. B. Butler of the Missouri Retailers Association

and again submit to the Court the Articles of Agreement of said Association, together with a petition praying for a pro forma decree thereon, in manner provided by law, and also submit to the Court the report

of William T. BLOSSE, Esq. ....., heretofore appointed Amicus Curiae to examine said Articles of Agreement and to show cause, if any there be, why a pro forma decree should not be granted as prayed; and it appearing to the Court that said petiton has remained on file in the Clerk's office of this Court for at least three days since the same was first presented to the Court, and the Court having duly examined the report of said Amicus Curiae and said Articles of Agreement, and being satisfied that a pro forma decree should not granted, and being duly advised in the premises, doth now approve and confirm said report and doth now consider, adjudge and determine that such Articles of Agreement and the purposes of the Association as therein expressed, come properly within the purview of Article Af of Chapter for of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri, 1977, entitled, "Benevolent, Religious, Scientific, Fraternal-Beneficial, Educational and Miscellaneous Associations," and are not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the United States or of the State of Missouri.

Wherefore, it is ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the petitioners and their associates named in said Articles of Agreement be and are hereby created a body politic and corporate, by and under the corporate name of The Missouri Retailers Association.

STATE OF MISSOURI } ss

I, JOHN SCHMOLL, Clerk of the Circuit Court, City of St. Louis, State aforesaid, certify the above to be a true copy of the order made in the matter aforesaid, as fully as the same remains of record in my office.

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Clerk Circuit Court.

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## IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COLE COUNTY, MISSOURI

#### ORDER

Now on this day the Court takes up the Petition of the Missouri Retailers Association to move and be reincorporated in the County of Cole and the City of Jefferson, Missouri and the Court having duly examined the pleadings finds that the Petition has remained on file in the office of the Circuit Clerk of Cole County for at least three days and that it would be in the best interest of the corporation that it be moved from the City of St. Louis' to the County of Cole and the City of Jefferson and be reincorporated.

NOW THEREFORE it is ordered that the Missouri Retailers Association is hereby moved from the City of St. Louis to the County of Cole and the City of Jefferson,

CIRCUIT JUDGE

Dated:

STATE OF MISSOURI - COUNTY. OF COLE

I, LINDA L. ROARK, Clerk of the Circulit Court of Cole County, Missourh, hereby certily that the above and foregoing is a full true and correct copy of

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#### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COLE COUNTY, MISSOURI

In the matter of the MISSOURI RETAILERS ASSOCIATION

Case No.

#### PETITION

Now comes the Missouri Retailers Association and states

through its officers:

1. That its present officers are:

Robert M. Rose Chairman of the Board 72 North Jefferson Marshall, MO 65340

Samuel E. Overfelt President and Secretary P.O. Box 1336 Jefferson City, MO 65102

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Donald Smykowski Treasurer 5600 E. Bannister Kansas City, MO 64133

2. That the Missouri Retailers Association is a Pro Forma Corporation, incorporated in 1933 under the provisions of Chapter 352 RSMo by the Circuit Court of the City of St. Louis, Missouri in its Case No. 3682 and desires to change its location from St. Louis City, Missouri to Jefferson City, Missouri pursuant to Section 352.080 RSMo 1986.

3. That a certified copy of the Articles of Association of the Missouri Retailers Association are attached to this petition and are incorporated herein. 4. Petitioners state that it is in the best interest of the corporation that the Missouri Retailers Association be moved and reincorporated in the City of Jefferson, County of Cole, with all of its rights, franchises and properties that it now has.

WHEREFORE, Petitioners pray that the Court order that the Missouri Retailers Association be moved and reincorporated in the City of Jefferson, County of Cole, State of Missouri with all rights, franchises and properties that it now has.

Robert M. Rose, Chairman of the Board

Samuel E. Overfelt President/Secretary

Donald Smykowski

Treasurer

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225 Madison Street P.O. Box 1336 Jefferson City, MO 65101 (314) 636-5128 Missouri Bar Number 16386

ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER

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# STATE OF MISSOURI

ROY D. BLUNT, Secretary of State

CORPORATION DIVISION

# Certificate of Corporate Records

I, ROYD. BLUNT, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri and Keeper of the Great Seal thereof, do hereby certify that the annexed pages contain a full, true and complete copy of the original documents on file and of record in this office.

THE MISSOURI RETAILERS ASSOCIATION

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri. Done at the City of Jefferson, this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of

February

Roy D. Bunt

Corp. #37 (1-85)