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.

Case No. EC-2014-0224

NOTICE OF COMMUNICATION

Issue Date: May 14, 2014

We received the attached letters dated May 9, 2014 from Randall G. Allen, President/CEO of the Jefferson City Area Chamber of Commerce and Keith Linderer, Business Manager for the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local No. 148 AFL-CIO, respectively, regarding the above-referenced case.

This filing is made in compliance with this Commissioner's interpretation of the "standards of conduct" in 4 CSR 240-4.010 and 4.020 relating to ex parte and extra record communications and does not otherwise imply or reflect the position of the Missouri Public Service Commission or any other Commissioner.

Respectfully submitted,

William P. Kenney, Commissioner

Rachel M Lewis

Rachel M. Lewis Advisor to Commissioner William P. Kenney

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 14th day of May, 2014.



May 9, 2014

Robert S. Kenney, Chairman Stephen M. Stoll, Commissioner William P. Kenney, Commissioner Daniel Y. Hall, Commissioner Scott T. Rupp, Commissioner

Missouri Public Service Commission 200 Madison Street Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Dear Honorable Chairman and Commissioners:

The Jefferson City Area Chamber of Commerce would like to express its strong concern about the negative impact the rate shift case filed by Noranda Aluminum would have on many of our local area businesses and would like to voice our opposition to this rate shift case.

With a low rate for electricity that is already 60 percent below rates paid by the average Ameren Missouri residential customer, Noranda Aluminum's request for an additional 25 percent rate reduction goes too far. This reduction would shift costs to other Ameren customers including those in Cole County.

With this in mind we urge the Missouri PSC to deny Noranda's proposal.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

andall G. Allen, President/CEO Jefferson City Area Chamber of Commerce

CC: Bob Gilbert, Chairman of the Board Senator Mike Kehoe Representative Mike Bernskoetter Representative Jay Barnes





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Chairman Robert S. Kenney Missouri Public Service Commission 200 Madison Street P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102-0360

> RE: EC-2014-0223 EC-2014-0224

Dear Commissioner Kenney:

As the Business Manager of the Operating Engineers Local 148 which represents over 1000 Ameren employees, I am writing to communicate the position of my union regarding the above matters.

Case EC-2014-0223 alleges that Ameren earned more than it should have during the period of October 2012 through September 2013. This assertion ignores that fact that, in setting the current rates, the PSC thoroughly reviewed Ameren's books and records. Moreover, Ameren has been required to invest a tremendous amount in capital improvements, including infrastructure, renewable energy projects, and energy efficiency programs. These investments have benefited the local community by generating good-paying jobs and have benefited Ameren's customers by giving us safe, reliable and cleaner energy. Ameren's revenues flow directly back to the public in the form of decent wages to its employees and the employees of its subcontractors, a steady supply of power and a better environment.

Case EC-2014-0224 is an effort to shift Noranda's rates to the rest of the community. The fact is that Noranda already pays rates which are 60% lower than the rates paid by Ameren's residential customers. Common sense dictates that if Noranda's rates are reduced even further, the cost will be borne by other customers and businesses. The suggestion that Noranda should be subsidized at the expense of everyone else is patently risable.

For the above reasons, both of the above cases are without merit.

Very truly yours, nduce **KEITH LINDERER**

KEITH LINDEREF Business Manager

cc: Commissioner Bill P. Kenney Commissioner Stephen M. Stoll Commissioner Daniel Y. Hall Commissioner Scott T. Rupp

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Affiliations: Illinois AFL-CIO; Iowa Federation of Labor; Missouri AFL-CIO; Greater Madison County Labor Council; Lee County Labor Council; St. Louis Labor Council; Illinois Council, IUOE; North Central States Conference, IUOE; Missouri State Utility Workers Conference; Gateway Chapter, LERA; International Labor Communications Association; Missouri Labor Council.