

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

In the Matter of the Application of Ameren Transmission)
Company of Illinois for Other Relief or, in the Alternative,)
a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity)
Authorizing it to Construct, Install, Own, Operate,) File No. EA-2015-0146
Maintain and Otherwise Control and Manage a)
345,000-volt Electric Transmission Line from Palmyra,)
Missouri, to the Iowa Border and Associated Substation)
Near Kirksville, Missouri.¹)

**REQUEST BY IBEW 1439 TO BE EXCUSED FROM THE HEARING UNTIL THE
TIME OF ITS TESTIMONY AND TO PROVIDE TESTIMONY TELEPHONICALLY**

Comes now International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union 1439 (IBEW 1439) and moves to be excused from the hearing scheduled to begin in this matter on January 25, 2016 until the time of its testimony. IBEW 1439 believes that an opening statement will not materially advance its cause, and further believes that the issues preceding its testimony will not elicit a need for cross examination by IBEW 1439.

IBEW 1439 further requests the ability to provide the testimony of its witness, Michael Walters, telephonically. Mr. Walters is unavoidably out-of-town the week of the hearing and beyond. He is able to testify telephonically upon reasonable notice, however. Counsel for the other parties was contacted about this on January 6, 2016. On January 12, 2016, Neighbors United emailed that they have questions for Mr. Walters and object to him appearing by phone. No other party indicated any objection.

¹ The project for which the CCN is sought in this case also includes a 161,000-volt line connecting to the associated substation to allow interconnection with the existing transmission system in the area.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served on January 12, 2016, by United States mail, hand-deliver, email, or facsimile upon all parties by their attorneys of record as disclosed by the pleadings and orders herein.

/s/ Sherrie Hall