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

In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric	)
Company d/b/a AmerenUE for Authority to File	)
Tariffs Increasing Rates for Electric Service	)
Provided to Customers in the Company's Missouri	)
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Case No. ER-2008-0318

### NOTICE REGARDING EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

Issue Date: April 17, 2008

On April 17, 2008, I received the attached letter from Jim Sporleder regarding

AmerenUE's request for electric rate increase.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 17th day of April, 2008. Davis, Chairman

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#### April 10, 2008

Jeff Davis, Chairman Mo: Public Service Commission 200 Madison Jefferson City, MO. 65101

Sir,

I have enclosed a letter mailed to me from Thomas R. Voss, President of AmerenUE regarding a rate increase. I responded with a return letter to Mr. Voss, which I have forwarded to you with this letter.

As you can see, I and many others are not welcoming the raise in price of anything – especially something as necessary as electrical power.

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I would appreciate your opinion.

Thank you,

Jim Sporleder-

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Thomas R. Voss
President and Chief Executive Officer, AmerenUE
One Ameren Plaza
PO Box 66149
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Sir,

"As part of my commitment to communicate with you" I am trying to fend off bankruptcy, loss of my home, and many other disasters confronting me, I am writing to suggest that you consider trying this after this recession ends.

I think that you are ignoring the current monetary mess Mr. Busch and others have created, when your "commitment to communicate with me"— & countless others— who are in desperate financial crisis—unemployed, unable to find work, and gasoline prices that are obscene, for just to mention a few of many.

You have used your connection with the state government to sale through requests with out effort. That adds you to my <u>"What's he thinking"</u> list, along with several others – persons and lists.

I will forward my letter to the Missouri Public Service Commission, hoping that it may be considered.

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Please consider my comments, and respond. Thank you.

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Cautiously,

Jim Sporleder

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**AmerenUE** 

**Tom Voss** President and CEO One Ameren Plaza 1901 Chouteau Avenue PO Box 66149 St. Louis, MO 63166-6149

March 2008

Dear Customer:

As part of my commitment to communicate with you, I want to let you know that we will soon submit a request to the Missouri Public Service Commission (PSC) for an electric rate increase.

This request comes as the result of our efforts to improve reliability, meet environmental mandates, provide for your growing power needs, and cover the higher prices we are paying for fuel and materials required to safely and reliably generate and deliver electricity to you.

I wrote to you recently to update you on our efforts to improve reliability by putting the most vulnerable power lines underground, trimming even more trees to keep them away from power lines, increasing inspections of our lines and poles, and working even harder to protect the environment. That work, part of *Project Power On*, is a cornerstone of AmerenUE's pledge to you:

...to connect Missouri by providing reliable power, dedicated customer service and vision for the future.

This price increase will help us deliver on our pledge and cover our higher costs. Requesting to raise our prices is not something we do lightly. Before a two percent increase in 2007, we had not had a rate increase since 1987.

Our proposal will be extensively reviewed by the PSC before any increase would occur. We will participate openly and actively in that process.

Be assured, we're doing all we can to keep our costs down and your prices as low as possible. And we pledge to continue to carefully manage our resources to provide you with reliable and clean energy at a price you can afford.

We will continue to communicate with you and hope you will keep in touch with us. We value your business.

Sincerely,

Thomas R. Voss

President and Chief Executive Officer

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