BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariffs to Increase its Revenues for Electric Service.

Case No. ER-2012-0166

APPLICATION TO INTERVENE OF BARNES-JEWISH HOSPITAL

Pursuant to 4 C.S.R. 240-2.075 of the Missouri Public Service Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Barnes-Jewish Hospital ("BJH" or "Applicant"), hereby applies for leave to intervene in the above-referenced proceeding. In support of this Application, Applicant respectfully states as follows:

1. On February 2, 2012 Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("AmerenMissouri") filed its rate increase application and testimony with this Commission. On February 6, 2012, this Commission issued its *Order Directing Notice, Suspending Tariff, Setting Hearing and Directing Filing,* setting February 23 as the deadline for filing intervention applications;

2. Applicant operates a not-for-profit hospital within the state of Missouri. Over a period of many years Applicant has purchased substantial amounts of electricity from AmerenMissouri as well as utilities from other utility companies in the state of Missouri.

3. BJH has been an intervenor and participant in several prior AmerenMissouri cases and, as a large customer of AmerenMissouri, has a direct and immediate interest in these proceedings that is different from that of the general public. Therefore, granting this proposed intervention would serve the public interest and would assist the Commission in development of a more complete record. 4. BJH does not at this time have sufficient information to assert a position on this case, and it reserves the right to assert positions after it has had an adequate opportunity to examine the record and any documents of other parties filed herein.

5. Correspondence and communications regarding this application, including service of all notices and orders of this Commission, should be addressed to:

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WHEREFORE, having stated the grounds for intervention and the interest of Applicant in these proceedings, Applicant asks that the Commission grant this Application to Intervene and thereby entitle Applicant to have notice of and to appear at the taking of testimony, to produce and cross-examine witnesses, and to be heard in person or by counsel on the argument, and in all other respects to be made a party to this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, I hereby certify that I have this day caused a copy of the foregoing to be served on all persons on the official service list in Case No. <u>ER-2012-0166</u>.

Dated at St. Louis, Missouri this 23rd day of February, 2012

Eisa C. Langeneckert