

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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CASE NO: EM-2001-233

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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AND DIRECTING FILING

A prehearing conference was held on December 20, 2000. On January 16, 2001, the parties to this case, including Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE), filed a Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement regarding the proposed procedural schedule for this matter. In response to that agreement, the Commission set the procedural schedule as requested.

On February 6, 2001, AmerenUE filed a motion requesting that the procedural schedule be held in abeyance until AmerenUE had a chance to complete forecasts which are necessary in developing its supplemental testimony. AmerenUE indicated that all the dates in the procedural schedule were dependent upon its filing the supplemental testimony. AmerenUE stated that it could give the Commission a status report with projected dates for filing of the supplemental testimony by February 20, 2001. AmerenUE also suggested it would request an

expedited prehearing conference to set the remainder of the procedural schedule. No responses to the motion were filed.

Therefore, the Commission determines that since this action was filed by AmerenUE, the request to hold the procedural schedule in abeyance is reasonable and will be granted. In addition, AmerenUE will be directed to file its supplemental testimony or a status report regarding the filing and a proposed revised procedural schedule no later than March 5, 2001. The Commission directs AmerenUE to state in its proposed revised procedural schedule whether or not the other parties have agreed to the proposed dates. The Commission finds that no additional on-the-record prehearing conference is necessary to set procedural dates. The parties are free to meet and discuss procedural matters or settlement without the involvement of the Regulatory Law Judge.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the request of Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, to hold the procedural schedule in abeyance is granted.

2. That the procedural schedule as set on February 1, 2000, shall be stayed.

3. That Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, shall file no later than March 5, 2001, its supplemental direct testimony or a report regarding the status of that testimony, and a proposed revised procedural schedule.

4. That this order shall become effective on March 1, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

(S E A L)

Nancy Dippell, Senior Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 26th day of February, 2001.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 26th day of February 2001.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

