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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application)
of Union Electric Company for an)
Order Authorizing It to Participate)
in the Midwest ISO.) Case No. EO-98-413

ORDER SCHEDULING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

On March 30, 1998, Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (AmerenUE) filed an application (Missouri Application) requesting Commission authority to participate in the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc. (MISO). On July 22, the Commission Staff (Staff) and the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) filed responses pursuant to a Commission order in which they recommend that the Commission not rule on AmerenUE's Missouri Application until the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission rules on the MISO application before it (FERC Application). On August 24, a group of AmerenUE's industrial customers¹ filed a response in which they also request that the Commission defer action on the Missouri Application until the FERC acts on the FERC Application. Finally, on September 4, AmerenUE filed a response to the other three parties in which it agreed that the Commission should defer action on the Missouri Application until the FERC acts on the FERC

¹ Alumax, Inc., Anheuser-Busch, Cos., Inc., Barnes-Jewish Hospital, The Boeing Corporation, Chrysler Motors Corporation, The Doe Run Company, Emerson Electric Company, Ford Motor Corporation, Holnam, Inc., Hussman Refrigeration, MEMC Electronic Materials, Inc., Mallinckrodt Group, Inc., Monsanto Company, River Cement, and Solutia, Inc.

Application, although it disagreed with the other parties' characterization of the FERC Application.

On September 16, FERC issued an order conditionally approving the FERC Application. Accordingly, it appears that this case is ready to proceed, and the Commission will direct the parties to meet at a prehearing conference and propose a procedural schedule.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

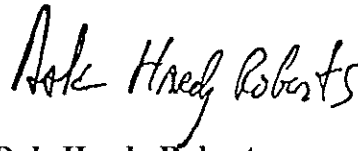
1. That a prehearing conference will be held on October 15, 1998, at 9:00 a.m. at the Commission's offices on the fifth floor of the Harry S Truman State Office Building, 301 West High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri.

2. That anyone with special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days before the prehearing or hearing at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline - 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline - 1-800-829-7541.

3. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule no later than October 30, 1998.

4. That this order shall become effective on October 16, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Lewis R. Mills, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1),
(November 30, 1995) and Section 386.240,
RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 6th day of October, 1998.

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