

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

In the Matter of the True-Up of Union Electric )		
Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Fuel )		<b><u>Case No. ER-2013-0311</u></b>
Adjustment Clause for the 8th Recovery Period )		<b><u>Tariff No. YE-2013-0240</u></b>

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"), by and through counsel, and for this recommendation respectfully states:

1. On November 26, 2012, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri ("Ameren Missouri"), submitted an application containing its eighth true-up filing for its Fuel Adjustment Clause ("FAC").

2. On November 27, the Commission ordered Staff to submit a recommendation regarding the proposed true-up no later than December 26, 2012, pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-20.090(5). The Commission ordered any person or entity wishing to intervene shall file an application no later than December 7, 2012. Further, the Commission also ordered its Data Center to serve the order upon the parties to File Nos. ER-2008-0318,<sup>1</sup> ER-2010-0036 and ER-2011-0028,<sup>2</sup> and to add those parties to the service list for this file.

3. The Commission received no applications to intervene.

4. Rule 4 CSR 240-20.090(5) provides for true-ups of rate adjustment mechanisms, and directs Staff to examine and analyze the information filed by the utility

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<sup>1</sup> In File No. ER-2008-0318, the Commission first approved Ameren Missouri's Rider FAC.

<sup>2</sup> File Nos. ER-2010-0036 and ER-2011-0028 reauthorized Ameren Missouri's initial Rider FAC, with modifications.

pursuant to 4 CSR 240-3.161 to determine whether the true-up is in accordance with the provisions of the rule, Section 386.266, RSMo and the rate adjustment mechanism established in the electric utility's most recent general rate proceeding.<sup>3</sup>

5. As described in Staff's *Memorandum*, attached hereto as Appendix A and incorporated herein by reference, Staff reviewed the direct testimony and supporting schedules of Erik C. Wenberg, along with the monthly information Ameren Missouri has submitted to the Commission and previous filings related to Ameren's FAC.

6. The true-up amount of \$1,327,563 identified in Ameren Missouri's filing is the result of an under-collection during the eighth recover period (RP8) that includes the billing months of February 2012 through September 2012. RP8 is the recovery period for and following the eighth accumulation period that includes June 1, 2011, through September 30, 2011.

7. The \$1,327,563 true-up amount for RP8 is included in the calculation of the Recovery Period Fuel and Purchased Power Adjustment ("FPA<sub>RP</sub>") per kWh rate included in the Company's Accumulation Period 11 ("AP11") adjustment filing, also filed on November 26, 2012, in File No. ER-2013-0310, in compliance with Ameren Missouri's FAC.

8. Staff recommends the Commission approve Ameren Missouri's RP8 true-up filing for the billing months February 2012 through September 2012 during which Ameren Missouri under-collected \$1,327,563 with interest from its customers for

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<sup>3</sup> 4 CSR 240-20.090(5)(D). The Commission shall either issue an order deciding the true-up within sixty (60) days of the true-up filing, suspend the timeline of the true-up in order to receive additional evidence, or the tariff schedules and the FAC rate adjustments shall take effect by operation of law sixty (60) days after the utility's filing.

inclusion in the calculation of the FPA<sub>RP</sub> per kWh rate included in the Company's AP11 adjustment filing in Case No. ER-2013-0310.

9. Staff has verified that Ameren Missouri has filed its 2011 annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. Ameren Missouri is current on its submission of its Surveillance Monitoring reports as required in 4 CSR 240-20.090(10) and its monthly reports as required by 4 CSR 240-3.161(5). Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing, except as noted in the *Memorandum*.

**WHEREFORE**, Staff recommends that the Commission approve Ameren Missouri's true-up filing for Recovery Period 8 (billing months February 2012 through September 2012) during which Ameren Missouri under-collected from its customers \$1,327,563, plus interest.

Respectfully Submitted,

**STAFF OF THE MISSOURI  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were served electronically to all counsel of record this 24<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2012.

**/s/ Jennifer Hernandez**