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

In the Matter of Union Electric Company )
d/b/a Ameren Missouri's Tariffs to Decrease )
Its Revenues for Electric Service )

File No. ER-2019-0335

## ORDER SETTING LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS AND DIRECTING NOTICE

Issue Date: November 15, 2019 Effective Date: November 15, 2019

On July 3, 2019, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri submitted revised tariff sheets designed to implement a general decrease in gross annual electric revenues by approximately \$800,000, exclusive of applicable gross receipts, sales, franchise or occupational fees or taxes. After considering the parties' proposed locations, the Commission has determined it will hold eight local public hearings. The dates and times proposed by the parties were altered due to conflicts with the schedules of the Commission and the hearing locations.

The Commission will direct Ameren Missouri to provide notice of the hearings to its customers using the agreed-upon notice language described by the parties filed on November 8, 2019, with the dates and locations as set out below.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission shall hold local public hearings as follows:

Date	City	Start Time	Location
Jan. 6, 2020	Arnold	6:00 p.m.	Fox C-6 School District Roy Wilde Conference Room 849 Jeffco Blvd. Arnold, MO 63010
Jan. 7, 2020	Ferguson	12:00 p.m.	Ferguson Public Library Auditorium 35 North Florissant Road Ferguson, MO 63135
Jan. 13, 2020	Kirksville	12:00 p.m.	Adair County Circuit Courtroom 106 W. Washington St. Kirksville, MO 63501
Jan. 14, 2020	O'Fallon	12:00 p.m.	O'Fallon City Hall 100 North Main Street O'Fallon, MO 63366
Jan. 15, 2020	Cape Girardeau	6:00 p.m.	Osage Centre 1625 N. Kingshighway Cape Girardeau, MO 63701
Jan. 16, 2020	St. Louis	12:00 p.m.	Sunset Hills City Hall Council Chambers 3939 Lindbergh Blvd. St. Louis, MO 63127
Jan. 16, 2020	St. Louis	6:00 p.m.	Wainwright State Office Building Gallery 111 N. 7th Street St. Louis, MO 63130
Jan. 21, 2020	Jefferson City	6:00 p.m.	Governor Office Building Room 310 200 Madison Street Jefferson City, MO 65101

2. The Commission's Public Information Office shall make an informational presentation and conduct a question-and-answer session for the public at the beginning of each local public hearing.

- 3. Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri, the Commission's Staff, and the Office of the Public Counsel shall each prepare a one-page statement outlining their current assessment of the case, and shall bring sufficient copies for distribution at the question-and-answer session that begins each local public hearing.
- 4. Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri, the Commission's Staff, and the Office of the Public Counsel shall make a representative available to address substantive issues during the question-and-answer session.
- 5. Any other party, at its discretion, may prepare a statement and make a representative available to address substantive issues during the question and answer session.
- 6. No later than five days before the local public hearings, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri shall provide individual notice to each of its customers that includes the notice as set out below.

## NOTICE OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS REGARDING PROPOSED RATES

Ameren Missouri has filed tariff sheets with the Missouri Public Service Commission (PSC) that would decrease the company's electric service revenues by approximately \$800,000. The overall request would lower a typical residential customer's bill by approximately 0.03%, translating to an approximately \$0.03 monthly decrease.

Ameren Missouri's rate filing also includes a request to continue its fuel adjustment clause ("FAC") in substantially its current form, which would continue to allow 95% of increases or decreases in net energy costs to be passed through to customers as a separate line item on customers' bills. The overall reduction in base rates proposed by Ameren Missouri in this case is associated with the rebasing of these net energy costs. In this case the reduction in costs due to the rebase of net energy costs is largely offset by net increases in other costs. If the net energy costs had not been rebased in this case, the base rates that would have been proposed by Ameren Missouri in this case would have increased the typical residential customer's bill by 3.7%.

The permanent rate decrease request, which is subject to regulatory approval, would take effect no later than May 30, 2020.

Please note that while Ameren Missouri's filing suggests to the PSC what Ameren Missouri contends are the appropriate rates to be set as a result of this case, an overall rate increase or an increase for some rate classes could be proposed as the case proceeds which, if approved by the PSC, could result in the rates applicable to one or more rate classes that are higher than those initially requested by Ameren Missouri, or that are higher than those reflected in Ameren Missouri's current rates.

Public comment hearings have been set before the PSC as follows:

Monday, January 6, 2020	6:00 p.m.	Fox C-6 School District Roy Wilde Conference Room 849 Jeffco Blvd. Arnold, MO 63010
Tuesday, January 7, 2020	12:00 p.m.	Ferguson Public Library Auditorium 35 North Florissant Road Ferguson, MO 63135
Monday, January 13, 2020	12:00 p.m.	Adair County Circuit Courtroom 106 W. Washington St. Kirksville, MO 63501
Tuesday, January 14, 2020	12:00 p.m.	O'Fallon City Hall 100 North Main Street O'Fallon, MO 63366
Wednesday, January 15, 2020	6:00 p.m.	Osage Centre 1625 N. Kingshighway Cape Girardeau, MO 63701
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If you are unable to attend a live public hearing and wish to make written comments or secure additional information, you may contact the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, telephone (800) 392-4211, email pscinfo@psc.mo.gov; or the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102, telephone (866) 922-2959, email opcservice@ded.mo.gov. Comments may also be registered in the case using the Commission's electronic filing system at <a href="https://www.efis.psc.mo.gov/mpsc/Comments.html">https://www.efis.psc.mo.gov/mpsc/Comments.html</a>. If submitting comments electronically, please reference Case No. ER-2019-0335.

The Commission will also conduct an evidentiary hearing at its offices in Jefferson City from March 2-6, 2020 and March 9-13, 2020 beginning at 9:00 am on the first day. The hearings and local public hearings will be held in buildings that meet accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If a customer needs additional accommodations to participate in the hearings, please call the PSC's Hotline at (800) 392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

- 7. The local public hearings shall be held in facilities that meet the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs additional accommodations to participate in the hearings should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearings.
- 8. The Data Center of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall mail a copy of this order to the county commission of each county in Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's service area, as well as upon the governing body for the City of St. Louis.
- 9. The Public Information Office of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall send a copy of this order to members of the General Assembly and to the media that serve Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri's service area.

10. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff

Secretary

Nancy Dippell, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019.