STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 6th day of February, 2019.

In the Matter of the Application of Union)	
Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri for)	File No. ET-2018-0132
Approval of Efficient Electrification Program)	Tracking No. YE-2018-0103

ORDER APPROVING SECOND STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

Issue Date: February 6, 2019 Effective Date: February 16, 2019

On February 22, 2018, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri filed an application and accompanying tariff sheets seeking approval of two new tariffed programs that are collectively referred to as the "Charge Ahead" program. The application also sought approval of modifications to Ameren Missouri's existing distribution system extension procedures, variances from portions of the Commission's regulations regarding promotional practices, and the request for an accounting authority order (AAO) for the Charge Ahead program.

On October 4, 2018, Ameren Missouri, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, the Office of the Public Counsel, and the Missouri Department of Economic Development – Division of Energy (collectively referred to as the "signatories") filed a *Stipulation and Agreement* resolving all issues between them related to the line extension policy. At the time the agreement was filed, the parties were still developing tariff sheets to implement the agreement. On October 12, 2018, the signatories filed a *Second Stipulation and Agreement* containing the exemplar tariff provisions as Exhibit A and indicating that although not signatories, The Empire District Electric Company, Kansas City Power & Light Company, KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company, Sierra

Club, and Natural Resources Defense Council each indicated that they do not oppose this settlement. The terms of the *Second Stipulation and Agreement* were presented to the Commission on December 4, 2018, prior to hearing evidence on the issues regarding the Charge Ahead programs.

Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.115(2)(B) allows nonsignatory parties seven days to object to a nonunanimous stipulation and agreement. More than seven days have passed and no objections were received.

No evidentiary hearing is necessary to grant unopposed relief.¹ Based on the verified filings, the Commission finds and concludes that the *Second Stipulation and Agreement's* provisions support safe and adequate service at just and reasonable rates and are in the public interest. The Commission incorporates the provisions of the *Second Stipulation and Agreement* into this order as if fully set forth herein.

In addition, because the parties are in agreement that the exemplar tariffs should become effective and the Commission has determined that they are in the public interest, the Commission will reject the proposed line extension tariff (Tariff Tracking No. YE-2018-0103), direct that compliance tariffs be filed, and make this order effective in less than 30 days.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Second Stipulation and Agreement filed on October 12, 2018, and attached hereto is approved. The attached stipulation and agreement is incorporated into this order as if set forth herein.

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¹ <u>State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Ent., Inc. v. Public Service Commission</u>, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989).

- 2. The parties are ordered to comply with the provisions of the stipulation and agreement.
 - 3. The tariff submitted under Tariff Tracking No. YE-2018-0103 is rejected.
- 4. Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri shall file compliance tariffs consistent with the exemplar tariff sheets attached to the *Second Stipulation and Agreement*.
 - 5. This order shall be effective on February 16, 2019.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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Silvey, Chm., Kenney, Hall, Rupp, and Coleman, CC., concur.

Dippell, Senior Regulatory Law Judge