BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric) Company d/b/a/ Ameren Missouri for Permission and) Approval and a Certificate of Convenience and) Necessity Authorizing it to Construct a Wind) Generation Facility)

File No. EA-2018-0202 Tariff No. YE-2018-0158

DIVISION OF ENERGY REQUEST TO BE EXCUSED

COMES NOW the Missouri Department of Economic Development – Division of Energy ("DE"), and for its Request To Be Excused, states as follows:

. 1. The Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") has scheduled

an evidentiary hearing in the above-reference matter for October 31, 2018.

2. DE does not have any witnesses who will testify on issues scheduled for

hearing. DE concerns were addressed in the Third Stipulation and Agreement filed on

October 12, 2018 and approved by the Commission on October 24, 2018.

3. DE waives its right to make an opening statement and waives its right to cross-examination of all witnesses.

WHEREFORE, DE respectfully requests that it be excused from the evidentiary hearing scheduled for October 31, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing have been emailed to the Certified service list this 25th day of October, 2018.

/s/ Brian Bear