STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 14th day of May, 2014.

Noranda Aluminum, Inc.,	et al.,)
	Complainants,))
V.) File No. EC-2014-0223
Union Electric Company, Ameren Missouri	d/b/a)))
	Respondent.))

ORDER REGARDING MOTION TO MODIFY PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: May 14, 2014 Effective Date: May 14, 2014

The procedural schedule established for this case includes an evidentiary hearing beginning on July 28, and continuing through August 1, 2014. On May 5, Ameren Missouri filed a motion asking the Commission to delay that hearing until August 11 through 15 because of a scheduling conflict for one of its legal counsel. The Commission established 1:00 p.m. on May 9 as the deadline to respond to Ameren Missouri's motion.

AARP and Consumers Council responded to Ameren Missouri's motion on May 5, opposing the rescheduling of the hearing because its counsel will have a conflict on the hearing dates proposed by Ameren Missouri. Public Counsel responded on May 13, also opposing Ameren Missouri's request. The Complainants also responded on May 13,

clarifying that if the Commission delayed the hearing it should not delay its anticipated decision date.

The Commission has scheduled a hearing on this complaint at a time suitable for the Commission. It is unfortunate that the scheduled hearing date will create difficulties for one of the attorneys that will represent Ameren Missouri. However, as has been amply demonstrated in this case, it is nearly impossible to choose a hearing date on short notice that will not inconvenience someone. The Commission will not modify the hearing schedule.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The motion to modify procedural schedule is denied.
- 2. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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R. Kenney, Chm., Stoll, W. Kenney, Hall, and Rupp, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge