Notice of Ex Parte Contact

TO:

Data Center All Parties in Case No. ER-2010-0036

FROM: Commissioner Robert S. Kenney

DATE: January 19, 2010



On the evening of Monday, January 18, 2010, I received an automated telephone message from "Greg" from the Fair Electricity Rate Action Fund (FERAF) inviting and encouraging me to attend a local public hearing in St. Louis on Tuesday, January 19, 2010. This case, **ER-2010-0036**, is a contested case. The Commission is bound by its *ex parte* rule, and I am therefore giving notice to the parties this communication has been received.

Although communications from members of the public and members of the legislature are always welcome, those communications must be made known to all parties to a contested case so that those parties have the opportunity to respond. According to the Commission's rules (4 CSR 240-4.020(8)), when a communication from any person interested in a case (either oral or written) occurs outside the hearing process, any member of the Commission or Regulatory Law Judge who received the communication shall prepare a written report concerning the communication and submit it to each member of the Commission and the parties to the case. The report shall identify the person(s) who participated in the *ex parte* communication, the circumstances which resulted in the communication, the substance of the communication, and the relationship of the communication to a particular matter at issue before the Commission.

Therefore, I submit this report pursuant to the rules cited above.

cc: Commissioners Executive Director Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge General Counsel