

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Union Electric Company, d/b/a	)	<b><u>File No. ER-2012-0166</u></b>
Ameren Missouri's Tariff to Increase Its Annual	)	Tariff No. YE-2012-0370
Revenues for Electric Service	)	

## ORDER GRANTING THE APPLICATION TO INTERVENE OF MIDWEST ENERGY CONSUMERS GROUP

Issue Date: February 22, 2012

Effective Date: February 22, 2012

On February 3, 2012, Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri, filed a tariff designed to increase its annual revenues for electric service. The Commission suspended that tariff and established February 23 as the deadline for interested parties to apply to intervene.

On February 11, Midwest Energy Consumers Group (MECG) applied to intervene. MECG is an unincorporated association of large users of electricity who take service from Ameren Missouri on the Small General Service and Large General Service/Small Primary rate schedules. At this time, the members of MECG are Walmart Stores, Inc., and JC Penney. MECG indicates it may add additional members and will notify the Commission if that occurs.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(4) provides that in granting intervention to an unincorporated association, the Commission is granting intervention to the individual members of that unincorporated association, and not to the association. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(7) further provides that if such an unincorporated association wishes to add members during the pendency of the hearing, it must file a motion seeking permission from the Commission to do so.

More than ten days have passed since MEEG applied to intervene and no party has objected to that application.

The Commission finds that MEEG's interest in this case is different from that of the general public, and may be adversely affected by a final order arising from this case. Furthermore, the Commission finds that allowing MEEG to intervene will serve the public interest. Therefore, in accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(4), the Commission will grant the application to intervene.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The application to intervene of Midwest Energy Consumers Group, consisting of Walmart Stores, Inc., and JC Penney, is granted.
2. This order shall become effective on February 22, 2012.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Steven C. Reed  
Secretary

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Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2012.