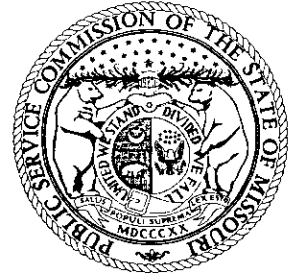


Notice of *Ex Parte* Contact

TO: Data Center
All Parties in Case No. **ER-2007-0002**

FROM: Chairman Jeff Davis *JMD*
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Commissioner Steve Gaw *SG*
Commissioner Robert Clayton *RC*
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DATE: March 9, 2007

On March 9, 2007 we received the attached letter which was submitted through our Electronic Filing and Information System (EFIS) from Mr. Steven R. Sullivan regarding Ameren. The Commission is currently considering some of the issues discussed in this document in case **ER-2007-0002** which is a contested case. In contested cases, the Commission is bound by the same *ex parte* rule as a court of law.

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 (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, we submit this report pursuant to the rules cited above. This will ensure that any party to this case will have notice of the attached information and a full and fair opportunity to respond to the comments contained therein.

cc: Commissioners
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Dear Commissioners:

As the political heat between Governor Blunt and Attorney General Nixon continues to rise, we at AmerenUE have done our best to stay out of the middle. Although Taum Sauk and our current rate proceeding have made this very difficult, we have affirmatively chosen to remain silent in the war of words between the two gubernatorial candidates. Unfortunately, Mr. Martin's recent personal attack to a Commission that I have practiced before for nearly twenty years leaves me no choice but to respond.

Contrary to Mr. Martin's assertion, I have never personally been asked or even approached by the Attorney General, his Staff or his campaign for any political contribution – either personally or on behalf of any Ameren company. As to the remainder of Mr. Martin's allegations, the Missouri Ethics Commission has already looked into this matter and, following its investigation, has dismissed a complaint that had been filed against the Attorney General.

I appreciate you taking the time to read this response. The issue once again raised by Mr. Martin has been addressed by the Ethics Commission and put to bed for more than six months. It is time to move on. I look forward to seeing each of you during the upcoming hearings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "S. Sullivan", written over a horizontal line.

cc: All Parties of Record – ER-2007-0002