# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri for Approval of New Modified Tariffs for Service to Large Load Customers

File No. ET-2025-0184

# **PROTECTIVE ORDER**

Issue Date: June 25, 2025

Effective Date: June 25, 2025

Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri filed an application and supporting testimony requesting approval of a Large Load Customer Rate Plan. On May 19, 2025, Ameren Missouri filed a *Motion for Protective Order*, requesting a protective order under Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.135(4) covering materials and information deemed "highly confidential" by Ameren Missouri. The Commission held a procedural conference on June 13, 2025, to discuss interventions and a procedural schedule.

At the procedural conference the Regulatory Law Judge granted all but one of the applications to intervene and gave the parties until June 17, 2025, to file any responses to Ameren Missouri's request for a protective order. As of June 17, 2025, no protective order responses were received.

Ameren Missouri seeks protection for market-based supply-side resource costs that, if disclosed, could disadvantage supply-side project negotiations.

The Commission will grant Ameren Missouri's motion.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Ameren Missouri's request for a protective order is granted. The specific protections to be afforded are as follows.

a. Certain materials and information divulged by Ameren Missouri shall be considered to be "highly confidential" if so designated at the time of disclosure. Any such designation shall be made in good faith.

b. With regard to entities and individuals other than the Commission, the Staff of the Commission, and the Office of the Public Counsel:

i. Disclosure of materials or information so designated shall be made only to attorneys and/or to such outside consultants who have executed a Commission Nondisclosure Agreement. No "highly confidential" information shall be provided directly or indirectly to any non-attorney individual or employee.

ii. Persons afforded access to materials or information designated "highly confidential" shall neither use nor disclose such materials or information for purposes of business or competition or any other purpose other than in regard to the case referenced above and shall keep the materials and information secure and confidential and in accordance with the purposes and intent of the protective order.

iii. All material and information designated as "highly confidential" in the possession of any entity or person, as well as any notes pertaining to such information, shall be returned to Ameren Missouri or destroyed upon the conclusion of the referenced case.

c. If a party disagrees with the "highly confidential" designation of any information, the party shall follow the informal discovery dispute resolution procedures set forth in Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.090(8). If the party exhausts these dispute resolution procedures, the party may file a motion challenging the designation.

2. All persons authorized to access "confidential" information in this case shall

complete the nondisclosure agreement attached to this order as Exhibit A.

3. All persons authorized to access "highly confidential" information in this

case shall complete the nondisclosure agreement attached to this order as Exhibit B.

4. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell

Nancy Dippell Secretary

John T. Clark, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 25th day of June, 2025.

## NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENT

For Case No.: ET-2025-0184

(To Access Confidential Information)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have reviewed the Commission's Rule at 20 CSR 4240-2.135 on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_, 20\_.

I have requested review of the confidential information produced in Case No. ET-2025-0184 on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby certify that:

(a) Only employees of a party that are acting as an expert for that party or that have been retained for this case as an outside expert for that party may receive confidential information;

(b) An employee is a person in the service of his or her employer whose services are controllable by the employer.

(c) I am employee of [state name of intervenor] acting as its expert and/or its employee who intends to file testimony in this docket, or I am an outside expert for [state name of intervenor] retained to provide expert consultation or testimony in this docket; and

(d) I have read and agree to abide by the Commission's Rule at 20 CSR 4240-2.135.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_,

Signature & Title

Employer

Party

Address

Telephone

E-Mail Address

EXHIBIT A

# NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENT For Case No.: ET-2025-0184

(To Access Highly Confidential Information)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have reviewed the Commission's Rule at 20 CSR 4240-2.135 on the

\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

I have requested review of the highly confidential information produced in Case No.

ET-2025-0184 on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby certify that:

- (a) Only an outside expert retained by a party in this case may receive highly confidential information;
- (b) I am an employee of \_\_\_\_\_\_ acting as an

outside expert for [state name of intervenor] \_\_\_\_\_\_retained to provide

expert consultation or testimony in this docket; and

(c) I have read and agree to abide by the Commission's Rule at 20 CSR 4240-2.135

and all terms of the Protective Order issued by the Commission in this docket.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

Signature & Title

Employer

Party

Address

Telephone

E-Mail Address

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025.



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Nancy Dippell Secretary

# MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION June 25, 2025

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Sincerely,

Nancy Dippell Nancy Dippell Secretary

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