Notice of Ex Parte Contact

- TO: Data Center All Parties to File No. ER-2012-0166 All Commissioners
- FROM: Morris L. Woodruff Chief Regulatory Law Judge



DATE: August 20, 2012

On August 17, 2012, Courtney Dunham, an employee of the Missouri Public Service Commission's Consumer Services Department, received an e-mail communication from Ms. Donna Delano. Ms. Dunham forwarded this e-mail to me.

Ms. Delano's communication supplements her statement given at the Commission's local public hearing in St. Charles, Missouri, on August 15, 2012, in File No. ER-2012-0166, a contested case currently under consideration by the Commission.

The Commission is bound by the same *ex parte* rule as a court of law. Although communications from members of the public 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. I submit this report to ensure that any party to this case will have notice of the attached communication and a full and fair opportunity to respond to the comments contained therein.

cc: Secretary/General Counsel

From: Dunham, Courtney Sent: Friday, August 17, 2012 3:40 PM To: Woodruff, Morris Cc: Ochoa, Gregg Subject: FW: Ameren increase

Hello,

We received this e-mail in PSC Info. I was not sure how to proceed with it. It appears this lady testified at the hearing but presented the wrong information and did not realize it until she got home. She has provided the additional information in the e-mail.

Please let me know what to do with this.

Thanks,

Courtney

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From: <u>djdelanousa@aol.com</u> [<u>mailto:djdelanousa@aol.com</u>] Sent: Thursday, August 16, 2012 11:19 PM To: PSC Info (Public Info Email Address) - PSC Subject: Ameren increase

I attended the meeting at St. Charles Administration Bldg. today, Aug. 15th. I did request to make a statement. I stated as trustee of my subdivision (which consists of 110 homes) our monthly cost for lights had increased from \$324.50 in 2008 to \$428.90 mo. in 2012 which is about a 25% interest in 4 years. I submitted statements from City and Village to support my statement. When I got home I found I had mistakenly submitted figures from 2006 instead of 2008. Thia led me to question why we have had such a large increase. I phoned Ameren and was informed the subdivision in being charged \$18.81 per light. We have 22 lights. I asked how the charges increased \$100 monthly in the last 4 years. Ameren's rep. did not have the info available.

I phoned Ameren on Aug. 16th and inquired about an increase appearing in the fall of 2011, the Ameren rep said on July 31st, 2011 the monthly charge for each light rose from \$15.91 per light to \$18.81.

My apologies for not knowing this before making a statement.

Donna Delano