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1		I. INTRODUCTION AND WITNESS QUALIFICATIONS
2	Q.	Please state your name, business address and present position.
3	Α.	My name is David Endorf, and my business address is 1901 Chouteau Avenue, St.
4	Louis, Misso	ouri 63103. I am employed by Ameren Services Company ("Ameren Services") as a
5	Principal En	gineer in the Transmission Performance Management and Engineering Department.
6	Q.	Please summarize your professional experience and educational background.
7	Α.	I have a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from Valparaiso
8	University. I	have a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering from the University of
9	Missouri – R	colla. I am a registered Professional Engineer in Missouri and Illinois. I have
10	transmission	line experience including project design and management of both small and large
11	projects at vo	oltages from 138,000 volts to 345,000 volts. I currently serve as a member on the
12	American Sc	ciety of Civil Engineers Standards Committee. I am a member of both the Institute
13	of Electrical	and Electronic Engineers and the American Society of Civil Engineers.
14	Q.	What are your duties and responsibilities in your present position?
15	A.	My duties include designing transmission line projects for the operating
16	companies to	which Ameren Services provides support, including Ameren Transmission
17	Company of	Illinois ("ATXI") and other Ameren Corporation subsidiaries such as Ameren
18	Illinois Com	pany and Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri. These duties include

1 assisting with the selection of line routes that balance cost effectiveness and environmental 2 impacts, and ensuring line design meets National Electrical Safety Code ("NESC") requirements. 3 While the scope of the projects vary, each one includes the following elements: the design of the 4 transmission structures that are to be used on the transmission line, selection of transmission 5 hardware, development of technical drawings, materials procurement, coordinating the 6 scheduling of outages, coordination of field surveying work and cooperation with other 7 departments within Ameren Services (real estate, vegetation management, environmental 8 services and other engineering groups), resolution of issues during construction, performance of 9 the final inspection and turning the line over to operations to place in service. One of my primary 10 responsibilities at present is to serve as an engineer for the Mark Twain Project, the subject of 11 this Application, which means that I will be designing approximately 95 miles of new 345-kV 12 transmission line and an approximately 2.2-mile, 161-kV connector transmission line between 13 Ameren Missouri's existing Adair Substation and ATXI's new Zachary Substation. 14 П. PURPOSE AND SCOPE 15 What is the purpose of your testimony? Q. 16 The purpose of my testimony is to provide information regarding the design of the A. 17 proposed Mark Twain transmission project. 18 Q. Are you sponsoring any schedules in support of your direct testimony? 19 A. Yes. I am sponsoring Schedule DE-01, a drawing of a typical tangent steel pole 20 structure for the 345-kV transmission line. I am also sponsoring Schedule DE-02, a drawing of a 21 typical tangent pole steel structure for the 161-kV transmission line, and Schedule DE-03, a 22 drawing depicting the site design of the Zachary Substation.

i	III. DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS
2	Q. Please provide a technical description of the proposed Mark Twain Project.
3	A. The proposed line will be a 345-kV, overhead transmission line approximately 95
4	miles long. The route for the primary transmission line consists of two portions, from ATXI's
5	Maywood Switching Station located near Palmyra to the new Zachary Substation near
6	Kirksville, and from the Zachary Substation north to a connection point at the Iowa state line. In
7	addition, the Project includes construction of a 2.2-mile, 161-kV transmission line from the
8	Zachary Substation, which is also to be constructed for the transmission Project, to an existing
9	substation near Adair.
10	ATXI will construct the proposed single-circuit 345-kV transmission line using single-
11	shaft, self-supported steel poles on concrete foundations. Pole heights will range from
12	approximately 90 feet to 130 feet above ground. The steel pole structures will be set on top of a
13	concrete pier foundation that will be about seven to ten feet in diameter. Schedule DE-01 shows
14	a drawing of a typical tangent steel pole structure for the 345-kV transmission line. Typical spans
15	will be approximately 850 feet. The transmission line will require a 150-foot wide easement for
16	right-of-way.
17	Each phase for the 345-kV line will be bundled Cardinal ACSS conductor. One shield
18	wire will be 7#7 AW, and the second shield wire will be a fiber optic ground wire. The structure
19	types will consist of tangents, running angles, and dead-ends. The line will be designed to meet
20	or exceed the requirements of the NESC and, accordingly, the requirements at 4 CSR 240-
21	18.010.
22	Q. Will there be any above-ground fixtures located on agricultural land other
23	than support structures and conductors?

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1	A.	No.	
2	Q.	Will ATXI place any guy wires and anchors along right-of-way lines or land	
3	division line	s?	
4	A.	No. All proposed structures will be self-supporting steel poles with concrete	
5	foundations and will not require any guy wires.		
6	Q.	Please provide a general description of the proposed Zachary Substation and	
7	facilities.		
8	A.	The 23-acre substation, designed by the Ameren Substation Design Team, will	
9	consist of a 3	45-kV and a 161-kV switchyard connected by a power transformer. The substation	
10	will include two relay control enclosures, six circuit breakers, voltage and current sensing		
11	transformers	, and a shunt reactor for voltage stability. The substation yard will be fully enclosed	
12	by chain-link	fencing and only accessible by authorized personnel. Schedule DE-03 depicts the	
13	substation de	sign for the Zachary Substation.	
14	Q.	Please provide a technical description of the proposed 161-kV transmission	
15	line that will	connect the Zachary Substation with the Adair Substation.	
16	A.	The proposed 161-kV transmission line from the Zachary Substation to the Adair	
17	Substation w	ill be approximately 2.2 miles long. ATXI will construct the proposed double-	
18	circuit 161-k	V transmission line using single-shaft, self-supported steel poles on concrete	
19	foundations.	Pole heights will range from approximately 70 to 100 feet above ground. These	
20	steel pole stre	actures will be set on top of a concrete pier foundation that will be about seven to	
21	ten feet in dia	meter. Schedule DE-02 shows a drawing of a typical tangent steel pole structure to	

be used for the 161-kV transmission line. Typical spans will be approximately 600 feet. The

transmission line will require a 100-foot wide easement for right-of-way.

1	Each	phase for the double circuit 161-kV line will be a single 1192 Grackle ACSS
2	conductor. E	Both shield wires will be fiber optic ground wires. The structure types will consist of
3	tangents, rur	nning angles, and dead-ends. The line will be designed to meet or exceed the
4	requirement	s of NESC and, accordingly, the requirements at 4 CSR 240-18.010.
5	Q.	Did ATXI evaluate the conceptual design impacts of the proposed Mark
6	Twain Proj	ect?
7	A.	Yes. ATXI retained a consultant, Burns & McDonnell Engineering, Inc. ("Burns
8	& McDonne	ll") to help develop route siting criteria, prepare a route siting analysis, and work
9	with various	stakeholders and the public to obtain their input into that process. The ATXI project
10	team worked	with Burns & McDonnell in the route selection process, which addressed land use
11	impacts, env	ironmental, cultural and historical resource concerns, and other routing criteria,
12	including the	engineering and constructability of the Project. The results of the route selection
13	process are d	liscussed in more detail in Mr. Christopher Wood's direct testimony.
14		IV. RIGHT-OF-WAY WIDTH
15	Q.	You have stated that a 150-foot right-of-way easement will be required to
16	construct th	e 345-kV portion of the Mark Twain Project transmission line. Please describe
17	why a 150-fe	oot easement is required.
18	A.	The 150-foot wide easement is required to provide adequate clearance from the
19	345-kV trans	mission line conductors to the edge of the right-of-way for operational and
20	maintenance	purposes.
21	Q.	Is the 150-foot easement the minimum easement required?
22	A.	Yes. The 150-foot easement will provide adequate NESC clearances from the
23	conductor to	a building on the edge of the right-of-way (Rule 234C.1). The 150-foot easement is

1	the minimum easement that will provide the necessary clearance to trees or vegetation at the		
2	edge of the right-of-way. Maintenance of this clearance is necessary for the safe operation of th		
3	line.		
4	Q.	Does ATXI have the necessary easements to construct the Mark Twain	
5	Project?		
6	A.	Not yet. ATXI witness Douglas Brown will address the acquisition of the	
7	permanent easements. ATXI has acquired the property for the proposed Zachary Substation.		
8	Q.	In addition to the permanent utility easements, will ATXI require	
9	construction	n easements to construct the Mark Twain Project transmission line?	
10	A.	Generally, the permanent easement obtained by ATXI will provide sufficient area	
11	for construction of the transmission line. During the installation of the wires, the construction		
12	contractor may need to set up equipment outside the permanent right-of-way. Depending on the		
13	particular circumstances, there may be a need to obtain a temporary construction easement.		
14	Q.	Does ATXI anticipate installing its transmission support structures along the	
15	centerline o	f the easement?	
16	A.	Yes.	
17	Q.	When the electric line parallels other electric transmission lines, will ATXI	
18	require a narrower easement?		
19	A.	No, ATXI will still require a 150-foot easement width; however, where the	
20	transmission	line parallels other facilities, ATXI will seek to acquire an overlapping easement so	
21	as to reduce the total easement width impacting a given property.		
22	Q.	Will the 161-kV connector line between the Zachary Substation and the	
23	Adair Subst	ation also require a 150-foot wide permanent easement?	

A.

Yes, it does.

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1 A. No. The 161-kV line will require a 100-foot wide permanent easement. Similar to 2 the construction of the 345-kV transmission line, the construction contractor may need to set up 3 equipment outside the 100-foot wide right-of-way. Depending on where this might occur, there 4 may be a need to obtain a temporary construction easement. 5 V. **CONCLUSION** 6 Q. What is the status of the final technical design for the Mark Twain Project? 7 A. Now that the final route has been selected, the technical design of the Project has 8 begun. We anticipate having a final design for the project complete by late fall 2015. 9 Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

OF THE STATE OF MISSOU	
In the Matter of the Application of Ameren Transmission Company of Illinois for Other Relief or, in the Alternative, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Maintain and Otherwise Control and Manage a 345,000-volt Electric Transmission Line from Palmyra, Missouri, to the Iowa Border and an Associated Substation Near Kirksville, Missouri.	File No. EA-2015-0146
AFFIDAVIT OF DAVID ENDO	RF
STATE OF MISSOURI ) ss CITY OF ST. LOUIS ) David Endorf, being first duly sworn on his oath, states:	
1. My name is David Endorf. I work in St. Louis	, Missouri, and I am
employed by Ameren Services Company.	
2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all	purposes is my Direct
Testimony on behalf of Ameren Transmission Company of I	llinois consisting of _7_
pages, and Schedule(s)DE-01, DE-02, DE-03all of wh	ich have been prepared in
written form for introduction into evidence in the above-refer	renced docket.
3. I hereby swear and affirm that my answers con	ntained in the attached

David Endorf

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of May, 2015.

testimony to the questions therein propounded are true and correct.

Notary Public

My commission expires:

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