

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 31st day of August, 2016.

In the Matter of a Working Case to)
Consider Policies to Improve)
Electric Utility Regulation)

File No. EW-2016-0313

ORDER DIRECTING ELECTRIC UTILITIES TO RESPOND TO STAFF'S QUESTIONS

Issue Date: August 31, 2016

Effective Date: August 31, 2016

The Commission opened this working case on June 8, 2016, to facilitate stakeholder discussions regarding possible improvements in the way the Commission regulates Missouri's investor-owned electric utilities. The Commission directed its Staff to consult with interested stakeholders and to submit a written report by October 17. On August 25, Staff filed a motion asking the Commission to order the investor-owned electric utilities to answer two questions about the impact proposed regulatory changes would have on their investment plans. The Commission will direct Missouri's four investor-owned electric utilities to respond to Staff's questions.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. No later than September 23, 2016, Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri; Kansas City Power & Light Company; KCP&L Greater Missouri Operations Company; and The Empire District Electric Company shall file their responses to the following questions:

A. What investments are you not able to make under the current regulatory environment that you would be able to make if there was a change in ratemaking practices?

B. If the decision to make investment depends on the extent of the regulatory change, please provide information as to investments that will be made under various regulatory environments (e.g. performance-based rates, shortened rate cases, an electric ISRS, construction accounting/plant-in-service, trackers/riders, projected/partially-projected test year, interim rates, CWIP in rate base, etc.)

2. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION



L. Woodruff

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

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Secretary

Hall, Chm., Stoll, Kenney, Rupp, and
Coleman, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge