

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Union Electric Company d/b/a ) File No. ER-2016-0179  
Ameren Missouri's Tariffs to Increase Its ) Tariff No. YE-2017-0003  
Revenues for Electric Service )

## ORDER DIRECTING SUBMITTAL OF INFRASTRUCTURE EFFICIENCY TARIFF

Issue Date: September 7, 2016

Effective Date: September 7, 2016

On August 24, 2015, the Commission opened a working case, EW-2016-0041, to consider mechanisms to promote efficient use of existing electric system infrastructure, which was completed and closed on June 8, 2016. Ameren Missouri filed comments<sup>1</sup> in that case noting that it “supports efforts to encourage new customer growth on portions of its system” where there is excess capacity and where it is both cost effective and not discriminatory to do so.

In light of this, the Commission will direct its Staff to design and file as part of its Direct Testimony a proposed tariff that would provide for a discounted volumetric rate or customer charge, or a waiver or reduction of line extension related charges, or some other mechanism to reduce bills of customers accessing infrastructure identified as under-utilized. Any discount provided by the tariff shall be related, at least in part, to a difference in the cost to serve customers who utilize existing infrastructure versus customers requiring infrastructure expansion.

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<sup>1</sup> Response to Staff's Request for Party Submissions, December 8, 2015.

Ameren Missouri shall, and other parties may, respond to Staff's filing by analyzing and commenting on the proposed tariff and suggesting what changes it feels may be appropriate.

It is not the Commission's intent that Staff or any other party divert significant resources away from preparing other testimony in this case in order to provide the above requested information. Accordingly, the Commission will consider suggestions for modification of this Order should any party believe it necessary to do so.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Commission's Staff shall file as part of its Direct Testimony a proposed tariff as described in the body of this Order.
2. Ameren Missouri shall, and any other party may, respond to Staff's filing in subsequent testimony.
3. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.