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ICC Approves Electric Rate Decrease for Ameren Illinois

Chicago, IL - The Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) today issued an order authorizing Ameren Illinois Company (Ameren Illinois) to decrease electric delivery service rates by \$17.3 million annually, which is a decrease of 1.71%. A general use residential customer who uses approximately 10,000 kw hours annually would save approximately \$20 a year,* but the actual impact on an individual customer's bill will vary depending on the type of customer and amount of energy used. The new rates will become effective with the first January 2018 billing cycle.

Ameren Illinois initially proposed a rate decrease of \$16.3 million, but the Commission made adjustments to the company's affiliate costs, lobbying costs, deferred charges, projected plant additions, and cash working capital.

The Commission's Order (Docket No. 17-0197) is a result of a thorough review during the past eight months of the formula rate case filing the company made on April 13, 2017. The review involved two main components: 1) a reconciliation of Ameren's actual 2016 revenue requirements; and 2) a determination of the new revenue requirement that includes the company's projected 2017 plant additions. The net effect will be reflected in the rates to be charged in 2018.

Electric distribution rates, for companies like Ameren Illinois, are set annually pursuant to the Energy Infrastructure Modernization Act (EIMA). In 2011, EIMA established a prescribed formula rate procedure for Ameren Illinois to recover actual, prudently incurred costs for the delivery of electricity to customers.

More information regarding the rate case may be found in the fact sheet that follows or by clicking [here](#) on the ICC website.

[Ameren IL](#)
[Docket No. 17-0197](#)
[Commission Order Fact Sheet](#)

- Ameren Illinois serves 1.2 million electric customers and 816,000 natural gas customers in central and southern Illinois.
- Proposed total rate decrease of \$16.3 million annually, a 1.61% decrease
- Total rate decrease approved \$17.3 million annually, a 1.71% decrease
- A residential customer whose average monthly bill is \$102 would see their bill decrease by \$1.70 - resulting in annual savings of approximately \$20*
- Rate change will be reflected beginning with the first billing cycle of 2018

*Estimate based on a residential customer with a gas furnace averaging 833 kw hours per month in Ameren Rate Zone 1, II or III. Actual savings per month for all customers will vary depending on monthly usage, season, customer class, and rate zone.

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