April 2, 2020

Ms. Elizabeth Rolando, Chief Clerk
Illinois Commerce Commission
527 East Capitol Avenue
Springfield, IL 62701

Re: Ameren Illinois Company d/b/a Ameren Illinois
Notification pursuant to Section 16-107.6(e) of Public Utilities Act
Electric Service Schedule III. C.C. No. 1

Dear Ms. Rolando:

On August 29, 2017, Ameren Illinois Company d/b/a Ameren Illinois ("Company") filed tariff sheets pursuant to Section 16-107.5(1-5) of the Public Utilities Act (Act) to implement changes under subsection (l) of Section 16-107.5 of the Act. The filing implemented revisions of the Company's Rider Net Metering ("Rider NM") tariff which included the methodology for calculating the total generating capacity thresholds of 3% and 5% for qualified net metering customers. The Illinois Commerce Commission ("Commission") did not suspend the tariff and the Company's revised tariff sheets went into effect on September 29, 2017.

On March 9, 2018, the Company filed a petition for the Commission to approve its proposed Rider Customer Generation Rebate (Rider CGR) and Rider Customer Generation Charge (Rider CGC) pursuant to Section 16-107.6(b) of the Act. The Commission approved Rider CGR and CGC in Docket No. 18-0537. Qualified retail customers taking service under Rider NM using a smart inverter are eligible for rebates under Rider CGR.

Pursuant to Section 16-107.6(e) of the Act, the Company hereby notifies the Illinois Commerce Commission that the Company's total generating capacity for net metering customers has reached 3%. Based on approved interconnection applications, the Company anticipates that the total generating capacity will likely exceed 5% by the end of 2020. Under Section 16-107.6(e), the Commission shall open an investigation into an annual process and formula for calculating the value of the rebates for qualifying retail customers taking service under Rider NM. Specifically, Section 107.6(e) provides, in part:
The investigation shall include diverse sets of stakeholders, calculations for valuing distributed energy resource benefits to the grid based on best practices, and assessments of present and future technological capabilities of distributed energy resources. The value of such rebates shall reflect the value of the distributed generation to the distribution system at the location at which it is interconnected, taking into account the geographic, time-based, and performance-based benefits, as well as technological capabilities and present and future grid needs. No later than 10 days after the Commission enters its final order under this subsection (c), the utility shall file its tariff or tariffs in compliance with the order, and the Commission shall approve, or approve with modification, the tariff or tariffs within 45 days after the utility's filing. For those rebate applications filed after the threshold date but before the utility's tariff or tariffs filed pursuant to this subsection (e) take effect, the value of the rebate shall remain at the value established in subsection (c) of this Section until the tariff is approved.

To assist the Commission's investigation, the Company recommends the Commission initiate a docketed proceeding to examine and determine the value of the rebates in accordance with the guiding principles under the Act. The Company also suggests Staff conduct a virtual workshop to examine and define issues relevant to valuing distributed energy resource benefits to the distribution grid. Prior to the workshop, the Company will provide an overview of the proposed framework and structure for calculating the value of distributed energy resources on the Company distribution system. The Company will discuss the framework at the workshop to allow for stakeholder feedback. The goal of the workshop is to build on the workshop Staff conducted in the summer of 2018 and develop a consensus for a method to determine the value for the rebates in accordance with Section 16-107.6(e) of the Act. If a consensus is reached, then the Company would file a tariff reflecting the methodology developed for the Commission's review and approval.

For any issues still in contention at the end of the workshop process, Staff and the parties should be allowed to support their positions with testimony and evidence of the record, and if needed, a hearing and briefing schedule can be set at that time.
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Attached is an extra copy of this filing letter and attachment. Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by stamping the extra copy of this filing letter and attachments and provide to Ameren Illinois.

If you have any questions, please call me at 217/535-5229.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Brice A. Sheriff, Director  
Regulatory Affairs

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Scott Struck – ICC  
Sam McClearren  
be: John Negro
**Ameren Illinois Company d/b/a Ameren Illinois**  
**Net Metering Percentage Calculation**

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*Non-Coincident Peak Load