

Docket No. 04-0670  
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DIRECT TESTIMONY  
OF  
JAMES D. SPENCER  
SENIOR ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT  
ENERGY DIVISION  
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

FAC Reconciliation Proceeding  
Mt. Carmel Public Utility Company  
Docket No. 04-0670

September 7, 2005

1 **Q. Please state your name and business address.**

2 A. My name is James D. Spencer, and my business address is 527 East Capitol  
3 Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62701.

4 **Q. By whom are you employed and in what capacity?**

5 A. I am employed by the Illinois Commerce Commission as a Senior Electrical  
6 Engineer in the Energy Division's Engineering Department.

7 **Q. Please state your educational background and work experience.**

8 A. I received a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering degree from the  
9 University of Missouri at Rolla in May 1965.

10 I worked in the electric department of City Light and Water, Poplar Bluff,  
11 Missouri, from June 1960, until September 1961, and again the following  
12 summer. I was an Engineering Clerk for Illinois Power Company the summer of  
13 1963, and a Construction Inspector for Union Electric Company the summer of  
14 1964.

15 After receiving my engineering degree, I was again employed by Illinois Power  
16 Company in June 1965. I worked for Illinois Power a total of 35 years in various  
17 engineering, supervisory, and managerial capacities, all related to design,  
18 construction, and operation of electric transmission and distribution systems and  
19 to power quality. I retired from the Chief Distribution Engineer position at Illinois  
20 Power in March 2000, and joined the Illinois Commerce Commission staff on  
21 May 1, 2000.

22 **Q. What are your primary responsibilities and duties as a Senior Electrical  
23 Engineer in the Energy Division's Engineering Department?**

24 A. My primary responsibilities and duties are to analyze and monitor the reliability  
25 performance and planning of the regulated electric utilities serving customers in

26 Illinois. This work includes reviewing the utilities' reliability reports and related  
27 information, performing field inspections of selected distribution facilities,  
28 analyzing the past reliability performance and likely future reliability performance  
29 of utility distribution facilities, and preparing reports covering these findings and  
30 recommended actions.

31 **Q. What are your responsibilities and duties associated with this docket?**

32 A. I was assigned to review Mt. Carmel Public Utility Company's ("the Company's")  
33 filing and responses to data requests concerning the prudence of the Company's  
34 gas, fuel, and power purchases during the 2004 reconciliation period. I  
35 completed this review in August 2005.

36 **Q. What are the conclusions of your review?**

37 A. I have found no reason to dispute the Company's assertion that all gas, fuel, and  
38 power purchases were prudently incurred during the reconciliation period.

39 **Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

40 A. Yes, it does.

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ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION	:	
On Its Own Motion	:	
-vs-	:	
MT. CARMEL PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY	:	04-0670
Reconciliation of revenues collected under fuel	:	
adjustment charges with actual costs prudently	:	
incurred.	:	

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**NOTICE OF FILING**

**TO ATTACHED SERVICE LIST:**

**YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that we have, on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 2005 forwarded to the Chief Clerk of the Illinois Commerce Commission for filing in the above-captioned docket, the Direct Testimony of James D. Spencer, of the Energy Division, Engineering Department, a copy of which is hereby served upon you.

  
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT** copies of the foregoing Notice, together with the documents referred to therein, were served upon the parties on the attached Service List, by messenger, electronic mail, facsimile and/or first-class mail, proper postage prepaid from Springfield, Illinois, on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 2005.

  
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