

Ruling Regarding Brief Outline in 05-0160, 05-0161 and 05-0162 (Cons.)

Notice is hereby given by the administrative law judge that the Brief Issues Outline (revised) filed by Ameren Companies on September 29, 2005 shall be followed by parties in organizing and preparing their briefs in this proceeding.

Parties are also reminded of the following previously announced ground rules:

- Subsections (or sub-subsections) may be added to the brief outline provided they fall logically within the underlying section.
- Parties are not required to address every section in the brief outline; however, the section number and letter identification should not deviate from the outline. For example, if a party skips Section V.A., its discussion of "Full Requirements Product" should still be identified as V.B.
- In any given section of a brief, parties are not precluded from incorporating, by reference, clearly identified portions of language from another section. The extensive use of such procedures is not encouraged.
- The date for filing initial briefs is extended to October 14, 2005. The date for filing reply briefs is still November 1, 2005. Copies of briefs shall be served electronically on other parties, and (in Word format) on the administrative law judge, not later than 5:00 P.M. on the due dates. Each initial and reply brief shall contain a table of contents.
- Statements of fact shall be supported by citation to the record. Copies of decisions cited in briefs need not be attached provided they are available on Lexis.

For parties filing draft orders, such filings are due on October 21, 2005. Any responses to draft orders shall be filed on the same date as the reply brief, either as part of the reply brief or a separate filing. Copies of such filings shall be served electronically on other parties, and (in Word format) on the administrative law judge, not later than 5:00 P.M. on the filing dates. Parties filing draft orders are not required to address every issue in such filings. Each draft order shall contain a table of contents.