SENATE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 564

AN ACT

To repeal section 386.390, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof six new sections relating to public utilities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

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Section A.

Section 386.390, RSMo, is repealed and six new

sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 386.390, 393.1275, 393.1400, 393.1640, 393.1650, and 393.1655, to read as follows: 386.390. 1. Complaint may be made by the commission of its own motion, or by the public counsel or any corporation or person, chamber of commerce, board of trade, or any civic, commercial, mercantile, traffic, agricultural or manufacturing association or organization, or any body politic or municipal corporation, by petition or complaint in writing, setting forth any act or thing done or omitted to be done by any corporation, person or public utility[, including any rule, regulation or charge heretofore established or fixed by or for any corporation, person or public utility,] in violation, or claimed to be in violation, of any provision of law subject to the commission's authority, [or] of any rule promulgated by the commission, of any utility tariff, or of any order or decision of the commission; provided, that no complaint shall be entertained by the commission, except upon its own motion, as to the reasonableness

- of any rates or charges of any gas, electrical, water, sewer, or
- 2 telephone corporation, unless the same be signed by the public
- 3 counsel or the mayor or the president or chairman of the board of
- 4 aldermen or a majority of the council, commission or other
- 5 legislative body of any city, town, village or county, within
- 6 which the alleged violation occurred, or not less than
- 7 twenty-five consumers or purchasers, or prospective consumers or
- 8 purchasers, of such gas, electricity, water, sewer or telephone
- 9 service.
- 10 2. All matters upon which complaint may be founded may be
- joined in one hearing, and no motion shall be entertained against
- 12 a complaint for misjoinder of causes of action or grievances or
- misjoinder or nonjoinder of parties; and in any review by the
- 14 courts of orders or decisions of the commission the same rule
- shall apply with regard to the joinder of causes and parties as
- 16 herein provided.
- 17 3. The commission shall not be required to dismiss any
- 18 complaint because of the absence of direct damage to the
- 19 complainant. Upon the filing of a complaint, the commission
- shall cause a copy thereof to be served upon the public utility,
- 21 corporation or person complained of.
- 4. Service in all hearings, investigations and proceedings
- pending before the commission may be made upon any person upon
- 24 whom summons may be served in accordance with the provisions of
- 25 the code of civil procedure of this state, and may be made
- 26 personally or by mailing in a sealed envelope with postage
- 27 prepaid.

5. The commission shall fix the time when and the place

- where a hearing will be had upon the complaint and shall serve
- 2 notice thereof, not less than ten days before the time set for
- 3 such hearing, unless the commission shall find that the public
- 4 necessity requires that such hearing be held at an earlier date.
- 5 <u>393.1275.</u> 1. For purposes of this section, the following
- 6 terms shall mean:
- 7 (1) "Commission", the public service commission;
- 8 (2) "Electrical corporation", the same as defined in
- 9 <u>section 386.020, but shall not include an electrical corporation</u>
- as described in subsection 2 of section 393.110;
- 11 (3) "Rate base cutoff date", the date rate base additions
- 12 <u>are accounted for in a general rate proceeding. In the absence</u>
- of a commission order that specifies the rate base cutoff date,
- such date as reflected in any jointly proposed procedural
- schedule submitted by the parties in the applicable general rate
- 16 proceeding, or as otherwise agreed to by such parties, shall be
- 17 used;
- 18 (4) "Cyber and physical security expense", operations and
- maintenance expense incurred to protect the reliability and
- security of systems, software, equipment, and facilities
- 21 <u>connected to or controlling the electric system against physical</u>
- or cyber-security threats, including but not limited to,
- 23 generating stations, substations, and control centers.
- 2. On and after the date an electrical corporation files a
- 25 <u>notice under subsection 4 of this section, the electrical</u>
- 26 corporation shall defer to a regulatory asset or liability
- 27 account any difference in the prudently incurred uncapitalized
- 28 state and local property taxes actually incurred, and the

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      the electrical corporation's revenue requirement in its most
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      recently completed general rate proceeding. If the notice filed
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      to such difference multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of
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      which is the number of days remaining in that calendar year after
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      the date such notice is filed, and the denominator of which is
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      the number of calendar days in that year. Such taxes used to
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      recorded on the electrical corporation's books for the twelve
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      corporation's most recently completed general rate proceeding
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      unless a different amount was used to set such revenue
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      resolving such proceeding or through a commission order approving
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      over a reasonable period in such corporation's subsequent general
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      rate proceedings, without any offset, reduction, or adjustment
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      requirement of such corporation to reflect the unamortized
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Τ	3. On and after the effective date of rates in an
2	electrical corporation's next general rate proceeding concluding
3	after the effective date of this section, an electrical
4	corporation that has filed a notice under subsection 4 of this
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6	any difference in the prudently incurred cyber and physical
7	security expense actually incurred and the cyber and physical
8	security expense for such protection used to determine the
9	electrical corporation's revenue requirement in its most recently
10	completed general rate proceeding, provided that the commission
11	shall ensure that such difference to be included in the
12	regulatory asset or liability does not include costs that were
13	included in the sums used to determine the electrical
14	corporation's revenue requirement upon which its base rates are
15	set in a general rate proceeding. The regulatory asset or
16	liability account balances shall be included in the retail
17	revenue requirement used to set rates through an amortization
18	over a reasonable period in such corporation's subsequent general
19	rate proceedings, without any offset, reduction, or adjustment
20	based on consideration of any other factor. The commission shall
21	also adjust the rate base used to establish the retail revenue
22	requirement of such corporation to reflect the unamortized
23	regulatory asset or liability account balances in such general
24	rate proceedings.
25	4. This section shall only apply to an electrical

4. This section shall only apply to an electrical corporation that has filed a notice with the commission of the electrical corporation's election to make the deferrals for which this section provides.

1	5. This section shall expire on December 31, 2028,
2	provided, that unless the electrical corporation has timely
3	obtained the order provided for by subsection 5 of section
4	393.1400, the electrical corporation shall after December 31,
5	2023, no longer be authorized to make the deferrals provided for
6	under this section. Upon the expiration this section, the
7	amortization of the regulatory asset or liability account
8	balances arising under this section shall continue to be
9	reflected in the electrical corporation's rates and remaining
10	regulatory asset or liability account balances shall be included
11	in the electrical corporation's rate base consistent with the
12	ratemaking treatment and amortization previously approved by the
13	commission pursuant to this section.
14	393.1400. 1. For purposes of this section, the following
15	terms shall mean:
16	(1) "Commission", the public service commission;

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- "Electrical corporation", the same as defined in (2) section 386.020, but shall not include an electrical corporation as described in subsection 2 of section 393.110;
 - (3) "Qualifying electric plant", all rate base additions, except rate base additions for new coal-fired generating units, new nuclear generating units, new natural gas units, or rate base additions that increase revenues by allowing service to new customer premises;
- (4) "Rate base cutoff date", the date rate base additions are accounted for in a general rate proceeding. In the absence of a commission order that specifies the rate base cutoff date, such date as reflected in any jointly proposed procedural

- schedule submitted by the parties in the applicable general rate

 proceeding, or as otherwise agreed to by such parties, shall be

 used;
- "Weighted average cost of capital", the return on rate base used to determine the revenue requirement in the electrical corporation's most recently completed general rate proceeding; provided, that in the absence of a commission determination of the return on rate base within the three-year period prior to the effective date of this section, the weighted average cost of capital shall be determined using the electrical corporation's actual capital structure as of December 31, 2017, excluding short-term debt, the electrical corporation's actual cost of long-term debt and preferred stock as of December 31, 2017, and a cost of common equity of nine and one-half percent.

2. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of chapter 393 to the contrary, electrical corporations shall defer to a regulatory asset all depreciation expense and return associated with all qualifying electric plant recorded to plant-in-service on the utility's books commencing on or after the effective date of this section, if the electrical corporation has made the election provided for by subsection 5 of this section by that date, or on the date such election is made if the election is made after the effective date of this section. In each general rate proceeding concluded after the effective date of this section, the balance of the regulatory asset as of the rate base cutoff date shall be included in the electrical corporation's rate base without any offset, reduction, or adjustment based upon consideration of any other factor, other than as provided for in

- 1 <u>subdivision (2) of this subsection, with the regulatory asset</u>
- 2 balance arising from deferrals associated with qualifying
- 3 <u>electric plant placed in service after the rate base cutoff date</u>
- 4 to be included in rate base in the next general rate proceeding.
- 5 The expiration of this section shall not affect the continued
- 6 inclusion in rate base and amortization of regulatory asset
- 7 balances that arose under this section prior to such expiration.
- 8 (2) The regulatory asset balances arising under this
- 9 section shall be adjusted to reflect any prudence disallowances
- ordered by the commission. The provisions of this section shall
- 11 not be construed to affect existing law respecting the burdens of
- 12 production and persuasion in general rate proceedings for rate
- 13 base additions.
- 14 (3) Parts of regulatory asset balances created under this
- 15 <u>section that are not yet being recovered through rates shall</u>
- 16 include carrying costs at the electrical corporation's weighted
- average cost of capital, plus applicable federal, state, and
- 18 local income or excise taxes. Regulatory asset balances arising
- under this section and included in rate base shall be recovered
- in rates through a twenty-year amortization beginning on the date
- 21 new rates reflecting such amortization take effect.
- 22 3. (1) Depreciation expense deferred under this section
- 23 shall account for all qualifying electric plant placed into
- 24 service less retirements of plant replaced by such qualifying
- 25 electric plant.
- 26 (2) Return deferred under this section shall be determined
- 27 <u>using the weighted average cost of cap</u>ital applied to the change
- in plant-related rate base caused by the qualifying electric

- 1 plant, plus applicable federal, state, and local income or excise
- 2 <u>taxes.</u> In determining the return deferred, the electrical
- 3 corporation shall account for changes in all plant-related
- 4 accumulated deferred income taxes and changes in accumulated
- 5 depreciation, excluding retirements.

6 4. Beginning February 28, 2019, and by each February 7 twenty-eighth thereafter while the electrical corporation is 8 allowed to make the deferrals provided for by subsection 2 of this section, electrical corporations that defer depreciation 9 10 expense and return authorized under this section shall submit to the commission a five-year capital investment plan setting forth 11 12 the general categories of capital expenditures the electrical 13 corporation will pursue in furtherance of replacing, modernizing, and securing its infrastructure. The plan shall also include a 14 15 specific capital investment plan for the first year of the five-16 year plan consistent with the level of specificity used for 17 annual capital budgeting purposes. Project specific information 18 shall not be included for the five-year period covered by the 19 plan. Within thirty days of the filing of any capital investment 20 plan or annual update to an existing plan, the electrical 21 corporation shall host a public stakeholder meeting to answer 22 questions and receive feedback about the plan. After feedback is 23 received, the electrical corporation shall file a notice with the 24 commission of any modifications to the capital investment plan it 25 has accepted. Changes to the plan, its implementation, or the 26 level of investments made shall not constitute evidence of 27 imprudence of the investments made under such plan. The

submission of a capital investment plan under this section shall

not affect in any way the commission's authority with respect to
the grant or denial of a certificate of convenience and necessity
under section 393.170. By February twenty-eighth following each
year in which the electrical corporation submits a capital
investment plan, the electrical corporation shall submit a report
to the commission detailing actual capital investments made the

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previous year.

8 5. This section shall only apply to any electrical 9 corporation that has filed a notice with the commission of the 10 electrical corporation's election to make the deferrals for which this section provides. An electrical corporation's election 11 12 shall allow it to make the deferrals provided for by subsection 2 of this section until December 31, 2023, unless the electrical 13 14 corporation requests and the commission approves the continuation 15 of such deferrals beyond that date and approves continuation of 16 the discounts authorized by section 393.1640 beyond that date as 17 hereinafter provided. An electrical corporation that wishes to 18 continue to make the deferrals provided for by subsection 2 of 19 this section and section 393.1275 from January 1, 2024, through 20 December 31, 2028, shall obtain the commission's approval to do 21 so, shall be subject to the compound annual growth rate 22 limitations set forth under section 393.1655, and shall also 23 obtain the commission's approval to continue to provide the 24 discounts authorized by section 393.1640 in a commission order 25 issued on or before December 31, 2023. The commission shall have 26 the authority to grant or deny such approval based upon the 27 commission's evaluation of the costs and benefits of such 28 continuation to electrical corporations and consumers, but shall

- 1 not be authorized to condition such approval or otherwise modify
- 2 the deferrals authorized by subsection 2 of this section, section
- 3 393.1275, or the discounts authorized by section 393.1640.
- 4 Failure to obtain such commission approval shall not affect
- 5 deferrals made through December 31, 2023, or the regulatory and
- 6 ratemaking treatment of the regulatory assets arising from such
- 7 deferrals as provided for by this section.
- 8 6. This section shall expire on December 31, 2028, except
- 9 that the amortization of the regulatory asset balances arising
- 10 under this section shall continue to be reflected in the
- 11 electrical corporation's rates and remaining regulatory asset
- balances shall be included in the electrical corporation's rate
- base consistent with the ratemaking treatment and amortization
- 14 previously approved by the commission pursuant to this section.
- 15 <u>393.1640.</u> 1. Subject to the limitations provided for in
- 16 subsection 2 of this section, and upon proper application by an
- 17 eligible customer prior to public announcement of a growth
- 18 project, a new or existing account meeting the following criteria
- shall be considered for qualification for the discount set forth
- in this subsection if:
- 21 (1) The customer adds incremental load, net of any
- 22 offsetting load reductions due to the termination of other
- 23 accounts of the customer or an affiliate of the customer within
- twelve months prior to the commencement of service to the new
- load, with average monthly demand that is reasonably projected to
- 26 be at least five hundred kilowatts with a load factor of at least
- 27 fifty-five percent within two years after the date the
- 28 application is submitted; and

1 (2) The customer receives local, regional, or state 2 economic development incentives in conjunction with the 3 incremental load. 4 5

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The discount shall be a percentage applied to all base rate components of the bill. The percentage shall be fixed for each year of service under the discount for a period of up to five years. The average of the annual discount percentages shall equal forty percent and shall not be less than thirty percent nor more than fifty percent in any year. The discount shall be applied to such incremental load from the date when the meter has been permanently set until the date that such incremental load no longer meets the criteria required to qualify for the discount, as determined under the provisions of subsection 2 of this section. An eligible customer shall also receive a ten percent discount of all base rate components of the bill applied to such incremental load for one year after the initial discount period ends if the electrical corporation determines that the customer is taking service from an under-utilized circuit. In no event shall a customer receive a discount under this subsection after the date this section expires. The electrical corporation may include in its tariff additional or alternative terms and conditions to a customer's utilization of the discount, subject to approval of such terms and conditions by the commission. The customer, on forms supplied by the electrical corporation, shall apply for the discount provided for by this subsection at least ninety days prior to the date the customer requests that the incremental demand receive the discounts provided for by this

subsection. If the incremental demand is not separately metered,

the electrical corporation's determination of the incremental

demand shall control.

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2. In each general rate proceeding concluded after the effective date of this section, the reduced level of revenues arising from the application of discounted rates provided for by subsection 1 of this section shall be allocated to all the electrical corporation's customer classes, including the classes with customers that qualify for discounts under this section. This increase shall be implemented through the application of a uniform percentage adjustment to the revenue requirement responsibility of all customer classes. To qualify for the discounted rates provided for in this section, if incremental load is separately metered, customers shall meet the applicable criteria within twenty-four months after the date the meter is permanently set based on metering data for calendar months thirteen through twenty-four and annually thereafter. If such data indicates that the customer did not meet the criteria for any applicable twelve-month period, it shall thereafter no longer qualify for the discounted rate. The provisions of this section do not supersede or limit the ability of an electrical corporation to continue to utilize economic development or retention tariffs previously approved by the commission that are in effect on the effective date of this section. If, however, a customer is receiving any economic development or retentionrelated discounts as of the date it would otherwise qualify for a discount provided for by this section, the customer shall agree to relinquish the prior discount concurrently with the date it

- 1 begins to receive a discount under this section; otherwise, the
- 2 customer shall not be eligible to receive any discount under this
- 3 section. Customer demand existing at the time the customer
- 4 begins to receive discounted rates under this section shall not
- 5 constitute incremental demand. The discounted rates provided for
- 6 by this section apply only to base rate components, with the
- 7 charges or credits arising from any rate adjustment mechanism
- 8 authorized by law to be applied to customers qualifying for
- 9 discounted rates under this section in the same manner as such
- 10 rate adjustments would apply in the absence of this section.
- 3. For purposes of this section, "electrical corporation"
- shall mean the same as defined in section 386.020, but shall not
- include an electrical corporation as described in subsection 2 of
- 14 section 393.110.
- 15 4. This section shall expire on December 31, 2028,
- 16 provided, that unless the electrical corporation has timely
- obtained the order provided for by subsection 5 of section
- 18 393.1400, the electrical corporation's customers shall, after
- December 31, 2023, no longer receive the discounts provided under
- this section.
- 21 <u>393.1650.</u> 1. For purposes of this section, the following
- 22 terms shall mean:
- 23 (1) "Commission", the Missouri public service commission
- established under section 386.040;
- 25 (2) "Electrical corporation", a corporation with more than
- one million Missouri retail electric customers in the year in
- 27 which this section becomes effective and that otherwise meets the
- definition of "electrical corporation" in section 386.020.

1	2. Electrical corporations shall develop a qualification
2	process and make such process open to all contractors seeking to
3	provide construction and construction-related services for
4	projects on the electrical corporation's distribution system.
5	Contractors shall have the opportunity to register on the
6	electrical corporation's vendor registration site and be
7	evaluated for bid opportunities. Under the qualification
8	process, electrical corporations may specify eligibility
9	requirements typically accepted by the industry, including but
10	not limited to, experience, performance criteria, safety
11	policies, and insurance requirements to be met by any contractor
12	seeking to participate in competitive bidding to provide
13	construction and construction-related services for distribution
14	system projects, and the electrical corporation shall not weight
15	any contractor favorably or unfavorably due to affiliation with a
16	labor organization or union, except if the work is being
17	performed pursuant to a union-only project labor agreement which
18	requires that participating contractors use union represented
19	labor. Contractors that meet the eligibility requirements set by
20	electrical corporations shall be eligible to participate in the
21	competitive bidding process for providing construction and
22	construction-related services for distribution system projects,
23	and the contractor making the lowest and best bid shall be
24	awarded such contract.
25	3. Within thirty days after the effective date of this

3. Within thirty days after the effective date of this section, electrical corporations shall file a verified statement with the commission confirming that they have established a qualification process for the competitive bidding of construction

and construction-related services for distribution system projects, and that such process conforms with the requirements of this section. The commission shall have the authority to verify the statement to ensure compliance with this section. Whenever the electrical corporation files a general rate proceeding, it shall submit concurrently with its submission of the rate schedules that initiate such general rate proceeding a verified statement confirming that it is using the qualification process for the competitive bidding of construction and construction-related services for distribution system projects required by this section for no less than ten percent of the combined external installation expenditures made by the electrical corporation's operating units in Missouri for construction and construction-related services for distribution system projects, and that such process conforms with the requirements set forth in this section to ensure compliance with this subsection. 4. Nothing in this section shall be construed as requiring

4. Nothing in this section shall be construed as requiring any electrical corporation to use a qualified contractor or competitive bidding process in the case of an emergency project, or to terminate any existing contract with a contractor prior to its expiration, provided that the use of any pre-existing contract for construction or construction-related services for distribution system projects shall not qualify as fulfilling the ten percent requirement set forth in subsection 3 of this section. For contractors not qualifying through the competitive bid process, the electrical corporation, upon request from the contractor, shall provide information from the process in which the contractor can be informed as to how to be better positioned

- 1 to qualify for such bid opportunities in the future.
- 5. By December 31, 2020, and annually thereafter, the
- 3 commission shall submit a report to the general assembly on the
- 4 effects of this section, including electrical corporation
- 5 compliance, potential legislative action regarding this section,
- 6 the costs of constructing distribution system projects prior to
- 7 the implementation of this section compared to after the
- 8 implementation of this section, and any other information
- 9 regarding the processes established under this section that the
- 10 commission deems necessary.
- 11 <u>393.1655.</u> 1. This section applies to electrical
- corporations that have elected to exercise any option under
- section 393.1275 or 393.1400 and that have more than two hundred
- thousand Missouri retail customers in the year in which this
- section becomes effective, and shall continue to apply to such
- 16 electrical corporation until December 31, 2023, if the commission
- has not issued an order approving continuation of the deferrals
- 18 authorized by subsection 2 of section 393.1400 and section
- 19 393.1275, and continuation of the discounts authorized by section
- 393.1640 as authorized by subsection 5 of section 393.1400 with
- 21 <u>respect to an electrical corporation, or until December 31, 2028,</u>
- 22 if the commission has issued such an order with respect to an
- 23 electrical corporation.
- 24 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law and except as
- otherwise provided for by this section, an electrical
- 26 corporation's base rates shall be held constant for a period
- 27 starting on the date new base rates were established in the
- 28 electrical corporation's last general rate proceeding concluded

prior to the date the electrical corporation gave notice under either subsection 4 of section 393.1275 or subsection 5 of section 393.1400 and ending on the third anniversary of that date, unless a force majeure event as determined by the commission occurs. Whether a force majeure event has occurred shall be subject to commission review and approval in a general rate proceeding, and shall not preclude the commission from reviewing the prudence of any revenue reductions or costs incurred during any proceeding to set rates. This subsection shall not affect the electrical corporation's ability to adjust its non-base rates during the three-year period provided for in this subsection as authorized by its commission-approved rate adjustment mechanisms arising under sections 386.266, 393.1030, or 393.1075, or as authorized by any other rate adjustment mechanism authorized by law.

3. If the difference between (a) the electrical corporation's average overall rate at any point in time while this section applies to the electrical corporation, and (b) the electrical corporation's average overall rate as of the date new base rates are set in the electrical corporation's most recent general rate proceeding concluded prior to the date the electrical corporation gave notice under either subsection 4 of section 393.1275 or subsection 5 of section 393.1400, reflects a compound annual growth rate of more than three percent, the electrical corporation shall establish a regulatory liability in the amounts specified in subsection 4 of this section. The regulatory liability shall be amortized over a reasonable period as determined by the commission. The electrical corporation

shall not seek to recover the amortized funds from customers. A

separate regulatory liability is required for each general rate

proceeding covered by this subsection for which the three percent

threshold provided by this subsection is exceeded.

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- 4. A regulatory liability provided in subsection 3 of this section shall be twenty-five million dollars for an electrical corporation with more than one million Missouri retail customers in the year in which this section becomes effective and six million dollars for an electrical corporation with more than two hundred thousand but not more than one million Missouri retail customers in the year in which this section becomes effective.
- 5. If the difference between (a) the electrical corporation's average overall rate while this section applies to the electrical corporation, and (b) the electrical corporation's average overall rate as of the date new base rates are set in the electrical corporation's most recent general rate proceeding concluded prior to the date the electrical corporation gave notice under either subsection 4 of section 393.1275 or subsection 5 of section 393.1400, reflects a compound annual growth rate of more than three and three-quarters percent, the electrical corporation shall, in addition to establishing the regulatory liability as specified in subsections 3 and 4 of this section, starting with the effective date of its revised base rates that exceed the three and three-quarters percent threshold provided for in this subsection, cease further deferrals under sections 393.1275 and 393.1400, with prior deferrals to be treated as provided in such sections.
 - 6. If a change in any rates charged under a rate adjustment

mechanism approved by the commission under sections 386.266 and 393.1030 would cause an electrical corporation's average overall rate to exceed the compound annual growth rate limitation set forth in subsection 3 of this section, the electrical corporation shall reduce the rates charged under that rate adjustment mechanism in an amount sufficient to ensure that the compound annual growth rate limitation set forth in subsection 3 is not exceeded due to the application of the rate charged under such mechanism and the penalty under subsection 4 is not triggered. Sums not recovered under any such mechanism because of any reduction in rates under such a mechanism pursuant to this subsection shall be deferred to and included in the regulatory asset arising under section 393.1400 or, if applicable, under the regulatory and ratemaking treatment ordered by the commission under subsection 6 of section 393.1400 and subsection 4 of section 393.1640, and recovered through an amortization in base rates in the same manner as deferrals under that section or order are recovered in base rates.

7. If the difference between (a) the electrical corporation's class average overall rate while this section applies to the electrical corporation, and (b) the electrical corporation's class average overall rate as of the date rates are set in the electrical corporation's most recent general rate proceeding concluded prior to the date the electrical corporation gave notice under either subsection 4 of section 393.1275 or subsection 5 of section 393.1400, reflects a compound annual growth rate of more than two percent for the large power service rate class, the class average overall rate shall increase by an

- amount so that the increase shall equal a compound annual growth rate of two percent over such period for such large power service rate class, with the reduced revenues arising from limiting the large power service class average overall rate increase to two percent to be allocated to all the electrical corporation's other customer classes through the application of a uniform percentage adjustment to the revenue requirement responsibility of all the other customer classes.
- 9 <u>8. For purposes of this section, the following terms shall</u>
 10 mean:

- (1) "Average base rate", a rate calculated by dividing the total retail revenue requirement for all the electrical corporation's rate classes by the total sales volumes stated in kilowatt-hours for all such rate classes used to set rates in the applicable general rate proceeding, exclusive of gross receipts tax, sales tax, and other similar pass-through taxes;
- 17 (2) "Average overall rate", a rate equal to the sum of the

 18 average base rate and the average rider rate;
 - (3) "Average rider rate", a rate calculated by dividing the total of the sums to be recovered from all customer classes under the electrical corporation's rate adjustment mechanisms in place other than a rate adjustment mechanism under section 393.1075 by the total sales volumes stated in kilowatt-hours for all of the electrical corporation's rate classes used to set rates under such rate adjustment mechanisms, exclusive of gross receipts tax, sales tax, and other similar pass-through taxes;
 - (4) "Class average base rate", a rate calculated by dividing the retail revenue requirement from the applicable

general rate proceeding that is allocated to the electrical

corporation's large power service rate class in that general rate

proceeding, by the total sales volumes stated in kilowatt-hours

for that class used to set rates in that general rate proceeding,

exclusive of gross receipts tax, sales tax, and other similar

pass-through taxes;

- (5) "Class average overall rate", a rate equal to the sum of the class average base rate and the class average rider rate;
- dividing the total of the sums allocated for recovery from the large power service rate class under the electrical corporation's rate adjustment mechanisms in place other than a rate adjustment mechanism under section 393.1075 by the total sales volumes stated in kilowatt-hours for all of the electrical corporation's rate classes used to set rates under such rate adjustment mechanisms, exclusive of gross receipts tax, sales tax, and other similar pass-through taxes;
- (7) "Force majeure event", an event or circumstance that occurs as a result of a weather event, an act of God, war, or terrorism, or other uncontrollable event as determined by the commission that causes a reduction in revenues, an increase in the cost of providing electrical service, or some combination thereof, and the event has an associated fiscal impact on the electrical corporation's operations equal to three percent or greater of the total revenue requirement established in the electrical corporation's last general rate proceeding concluded prior to the date the electrical corporation gave a notice under

1	either subsection 4 of section 393.1275 or subsection 5 of
2	section 393.1400;
3	(8) "Large power service rate class", the rate class of
4	each corporation that requires the highest minimum monthly
5	billing demand of all of the electrical corporation's rate
6	classes in order to qualify as a member of such rate class, and
7	that applies to qualifying customers only if they utilize the
8	electrical corporation's distribution system.