Ameren Corporation

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Employees:	7,447
Revenue:	\$ 4,505,867,000
Net Income (Loss):	\$ 468,545,000
Assets:	\$ 10,400,575,000
Liabilities:	\$ 3,977,706,000
No. of Asbestos Clai	ms Pending: 62
(For the year ended 1	December 31, 2001)

Description: Ameren Corp. sells energy in the US Midwest. Through its utility subsidiaries, Ameren distributes electricity to 1.5 million customers and natural gas to 300,000 in Missouri and Illinois. The company has a generating capacity of nearly 13,000 MW, about 60% of which is coalfired. The firm's AmerenEnergy markets and trades power and provides energy-related services. Other operations include meter reading systems and services and energy construction and management services. Ameren has agreed to purchase Illinois utility CILCORP from independent power producer AES.

Asbestos Discussion from SEC filings:

From the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003 http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1002910/000100291003000240/amc10-q033103.txt Filed On: May 14, 2003

Reference is made to Note 14 to the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements in our 2002 Annual Report to Shareholders which is incorporated by reference into "Financial Statements and Item 8. Supplementary Data" in Part II of our 2002 Annual Report on Form 10-K and to Note 7 under Item 8 "Financial Statements and Supplementary Data" in Part II of the 2002 Annual Report on Form 10-K of our subsidiaries, CILCORP Inc. and Central Light Company, operating as Illinois AmerenCILCO, for a discussion of a number of lawsuits that name our subsidiaries, Central Illinois Public Service Company, operating as AmerenCIPS, Union Electric Company, operating as AmerenUE, AmerenCILCO and us (which we refer to as the Ameren companies), along with numerous other parties, as defendants that

have been filed by plaintiffs claiming varying degrees of injury from asbestos exposure. Since the filing of the 2002 Annual Reports on Form 10-K, 25 additional lawsuits have been filed against AmerenCIPS and AmerenUE, but no additional lawsuits have been filed against AmerenCILCO. These lawsuits, like the previous cases, were mostly filed in the Circuit Court of Madison County, Illinois, involve a large number of total defendants and seek unspecified damages in excess of \$50,000, which, if proved, typically would be shared among the named defendants. Also since the filing of the 2002 Annual Reports on Form 10-K, the Ameren companies have been voluntarily dismissed in 58 cases and have settled six cases.

To date, a total of 152 asbestos-related lawsuits have been filed against the Ameren companies, of which 72 are pending, 16 have been settled and 64 have been dismissed. We believe that the final disposition of these proceedings will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

Asbestos Discussion from SEC filings:

From the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter June March 30, 2002 http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1002910/000100291002000061/ame10q2qtr02.txt Filed On: August 14, 2002

On April 26, 2002, our subsidiary, AmerenEnergy Generating Company (Generating Company) received a notice of violation from Illinois the Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) concerning the alleged improper disposal of bottom ash and slag materials originally from Generating Company's Coffeen power plant and sold to an off-site facility. Generating Company sold the material to an independent third party who in turn resold the material to U.S. Minerals for use in the manufacture of building materials and industrial abrasives. We believe that the notice of violation is without merit and the Generating Company's sale and/or use of coal combustion by-products is specifically authorized under the Illinois Environmental Protection Act. IEPA also issued a notice of violation to U.S. Minerals alleging the improper handling, storage and disposal of the coal combustion materials. We believe that the final disposition of this matter will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results or operation or liquidity.

On July 30, 2002, the Illinois Attorney General's Office advised us that it would be commencing an enforcement action concerning an inactive waste disposal site near Coffeen, Illinois, which is the location of a disposal facility permitted by the IEPA to receive fly ash from the

The Illinois Coffeen power plant. Attorney General also notified the disposal facility's current and former owners as to the proposed enforcement action. The Attorney General advised that it may initiate an action CERCLA to under recover past costs incurred at the site (\$322,000) and to obtain a declaratory judgment as to liability for future costs. Neither AmerenEnergy Generating Company (Generating Company), the current owner of the Coffeen power plant, nor Central Illinois Public Service Company, (AmerenCIPS), the prior owner of the Coffeen power plant, owned or operated the disposal facility. We believe that this matter will not have a material adverse effect on Ameren's financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

Reference is made to Item 1. Business -Rates and Regulation - Environmental Matters in Part I of our Form 10-K for the year-ended December 31, 2001 for a discussion of the lawsuit filed in the Circuit Court of Christian County, Illinois by Steven and Tina Brannan against our subsidiaries, AmerenCIPS and Generating Company, and us. This lawsuit alleged that AmerenCIPS and others were negligent in manner in which AmerenCIPS' the manufactured gas plant site in Taylorville, was remediated, therefore Illinois, wrongfully causing the death of

the Brannan's minor son. On July 3, 2002, a settlement agreement was entered into with the Brannans which fully released our subsidiaries and us from all liabilities claimed in the lawsuit in consideration for payment of an amount, the disclosure of which is restricted by a confidentiality agreement. The settlement will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

Reference is made to Item 3. Legal Proceedings in Part I of our Form 10-K for the year-ended December 31, 2001 and to Item 1. Legal Proceedings in Part II of our Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2002 for a discussion of a number of lawsuits that name our subsidiaries, AmerenCIPS and Union Electric Company, operating as AmerenUE, and us (which we refer to as the Ameren companies), along with numerous other parties, as defendants that have been filed by plaintiffs claiming varying degrees of injury from asbestos exposure. Since the filing of our Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended

March 31, 2002, thirty-four additional lawsuits have been filed against the Ameren companies. These lawsuits, like the previous cases, were mostly filed in the Circuit Court of Madison County, Illinois, involve a large number of total defendants and seek unspecified damages in excess of \$50,000, which, if proved, typically would be shared among the named defendants. Also since our first quarter Form 10-Q filing, a settlement has been reached in one lawsuit for a monetary amount not material to the Ameren companies and in one case, companies have the Ameren been voluntarily dismissed.

To date, a total of seventy-six asbestosrelated lawsuits have been filed against the Ameren companies, of which sixty-two are pending, ten have been settled and four have been dismissed. We believe that the final disposition of these proceedings will not have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

Asbestos-Related News: Faces 76 Asbestos-Related Claims in Illinois Court (Published September 13, 2002)