

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Ozark Energy)
Partners, LLC for a Certificate of Convenience and)
Necessity to Construct and Operate an Intrastate)
Natural Gas Pipeline and Gas Utility to Serve)
Portions of the Missouri Counties of Christian, Stone,)
and Taney, and for Establishment of Utility Rates.)
Case No. GA-2006-0561

ORDER GRANTING MOTION AND ESTABLISHING
PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Issue Date: September 15, 2006

Effective Date: September 15, 2006

On June 30, 2006 Ozark Energy Partners, LLC filed an application as described in the above caption. On July 5, the Missouri Public Service Commission issued an order directing the Staff of the Commission to file its memorandum in this matter no later than September 5, 2006. On August 11, Staff filed a motion to modify the Commission's order.

In its motion, Staff pointed out that Ozark's application does not include necessary information that will enable Staff to make an informed recommendation to the Commission. Staff therefore requested that the Commission modify its order to relieve Staff of having to file its memorandum on September 5. Rather, Staff suggested that the Commission set this matter for a prehearing conference to afford the parties an opportunity to explore a resolution of this case. The Commission granted Staff's motion and on September 14, Ozark filed a motion to set this matter for a prehearing conference to be held on October 19, 2006. Ozark states that the parties agree with that date.

The Commission has review Ozark's motion and, finding it reasonable, will grant the requested relief.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Ozark Energy Partners, LLC's motion to set this matter for a prehearing conference to be held on October 19, 2006 granted.

2. A prehearing conference shall be held on October 19, 2006, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in Room 305 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. This hearing will be held in a building that meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in this prehearing conference, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the conference.

3. This order shall become effective on September 15, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Kennard L. Jones, Senior Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 15th day of September, 2006.