BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Missouri Gas Utility,)
Inc., for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity)
Authorizing it to Construct, Install, Own, Operate,)
Control, Manage and Maintain a Natural Gas) File No. GA-2009-0264
Transmission Line and a Distribution System to)
Provide Gas Service in Pettis and Benton Counties,)
Missouri, as a New Certificated Area.)

ORDER SETTING DATE FOR RESPONSES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: April 7, 2009 Effective Date: April 7, 2009

On March 31, 2009, the Commission's Staff filed its recommendation. Staff recommends that the Commission grant Missouri Gas Utility, Inc., a certificate of convenience and necessity to provide gas distribution service to its requested areas in Pettis and Benton counties, and a transmission line certificate from its tap on the Southern Star Central Pipeline running to its requested general service area, subject to certain conditions. The Commission will set a date for parties to respond to Staff's recommendation.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

 Responses to the Staff of the Commission's recommendation may be filed no later than April 10, 2009. 2. This order is effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Nancy Dippell, Interim Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 7th day of April, 2009.