

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Missouri Gas Energy, )  
a Division of Southern Union Company, for a Certificate )  
of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing It to )  
Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Control, Manage and ) **Case No. GA-2007-0289**  
Maintain a Natural Gas Distribution System to Provide )  
Gas Service in Platte County, Missouri, as an Expansion )  
of Its Existing Certified Area )

**ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND DIRECTING**  
**FILING OF A PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

Issue Date: March 14, 2007

Effective Date: March 14, 2007

On January 31, 2007, Missouri Gas Energy (“MGE”), a Division of Southern Union Company, filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission, pursuant to Section 393.170, RSMo 2000, requesting that the Commission grant it authority to “construct, install, own, operate, control, manage and maintain a system for the provision of natural gas service to the public pursuant to its approved rates, rules and regulations, in Sections 13 and 14 , Township 52 North, Range 35 West in Platte County, Missouri.” On March 13, 2007, The Empire District Gas Company (“Empire”) was granted intervention in this matter. No other requests for intervention were received or granted in this matter.

This matter is now at issue and a prehearing conference and procedural schedule are appropriate to ensure its prompt resolution.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. The parties shall appear at a prehearing conference to be held on March 21, 2007, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The prehearing conference will be held in Room 305 at the Commission's offices in the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, a building that meets the accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person needing additional accommodations to participate in this prehearing conference should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 or dial Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the conference.
2. The parties shall jointly prepare and file a proposed procedural schedule no later than March 28, 2007.
3. This order shall become effective on March 14, 2007.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Harold Stearley, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 14th day of March, 2007.