BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission,)
Complainant,)
v. Sendero SMGC LP Acquisition Company, and Sendero SMGC GP Acquisition Company d/b/a Southern Missouri Gas Company,) Case No. GC-2006 -0182
Respondent.)

STAFF'S RESPONSE TO SOUTHERN MISSOURI GAS COMPANY, L.P'S NOTICE OF SATISFACTION OF COMPLAINT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and in compliance with the Commission's December 6, 2006 Order Directing Filing states.

- 1. On October 21, 2005, the Staff filed a complaint against Sendero SMGC, LP Acquisition Company, Sendero SMGC GP Acquisition Company, d/b/a Southern Missouri Gas Company, L/P, now d/b/a Southern Missouri Natural Gas Company.
- 2. Staff complained that Sendero, violated a provision of the Non-Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement with the Commission in Case No. GM-2005-0136 that required SMGC to hire an experienced general manager.
- 3. On October 31, 2005, SMGC hired a full-time general manager, Mr. Jim Trent, and has complied with the provision requiring that "Sendero shall hire a full time local general manager that has at least three (3) years of management experience for a local gas distribution company."

- 4. Mr. Trent met with the Staff on December 5, 2005 and Staff is satisfied that SMGC has now complied with the provision of the Nonunanimous Stipulation and Agreement.
- 5. Staff recommends that the Complaint may be considered to have been satisfied and may be dismissed.
 - 6. There were no intervenors in this Complaint case.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Complaint may be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 14th day of December, 2005.

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