BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of Southern Union Company d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy, for Approval to Change its Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge.

<u>Case No. GO-2013-0391</u> Tariff No. YG-2013-0450

STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF TARIFF SHEET

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, and, for its recommendation regarding Southern Union Company d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy's (MGE) revised tariff sheet, states as follows:

1. On April 15, 2013, MGE filed its *Notice of Agreement, Motion for Expedited Treatment and Response to Order Directing Filing*, notifying the Commission of its acceptance and agreement with the recommendations and rates included in the April 9, 2013 *Staff Recommendation.* Concurrent with that filing, MGE filed its proposed tariff sheet, P.S.C. MO. No. 1 Fifteenth Revised Sheet No. 10, Canceling P.S.C. MO. No. 1 Fourteenth Revised Sheet No. 10 to comply with Staff's recommendation. The tariff sheet was assigned Tariff Tracking No. YG-2013-0450. MGE requests that the proposed tariff sheet to go into effect as soon as it may be acted on by the Commission or May 15, 2013.

2. On April 16, 2013, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Filing of Staff Recommendation* ordering Staff to file its recommendation regarding MGE's new tariff sheet, no later than April 24, 2013.

3. Staff has reviewed MGE's tariff sheet (YG-2013-0450) and has determined that it comports with Staff's recommendation.

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4. The initial tariff filed by MGE on February 8, 2013, Tariff No. JG-2013-0355 has not been rejected by the Commission. Staff recommends the Commission reject Tariff No. JG-2013-0355 and issue an order approving MGE's second tariff, Tariff No. YG-2013-0450.

WHEREFORE Staff respectfully submits its *Staff Recommendation for Approval of Tariff Sheet* for the Commission's information and consideration in this case and requests the Commission issue an Order approving PSC MO No. 1 Fifteenth Revised Tariff Sheet No. 10, and canceling PSC MO No. 1 Fourteenth Revised Tariff Sheet No. 10, all included within Tariff Tracking No. YG-2013-0450, to become effective May 15, 2013 and reject Tariff No. JG-2013-0355.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Goldie Tompkins

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 24th day of April, 2013.

<u>/s/ Goldie Tompkins</u>

MEMORANDUM

TO:	Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File Case No. GO-2013-0391 / Tariff No. YG-2013-0450 – Missouri Gas Energy	
FROM:	Thomas M. Imhoff, Tariffs/Rate Design Unit - Energy	
	/s/ Thomas M. Imhoff 04/24/13 Project Coordinator / Date	/s/ Robert S. Berlin 04/24/13 General Counsel's Office / Date
SUBJECT:	Staff's Recommendation on the Tariff Sheets Filed in Compliance with Commission Order and MGE's MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT	

DATE: April 24, 2013

On April 15, 2013, Missouri Gas Energy (MGE or Applicant), a division of Southern Union Company, filed a tariff sheet with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) with a proposed effective date of May 15, 2013. This tariff sheet was "Appendix A" to MGE's MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT (Motion) relating to Case No. GO-2013-0391. The Motion requested an effective date "as soon as it may be acted on by the Commission".

On April 16, 2013, the Commission issued an *Order Directing Filing Of Staff Recommendation*, directing the Staff to file its recommendation no later than April 24, 2013. This filing is Staff's recommendation.

The Staff's analysis indicates that the tariff sheet was filed in compliance with the Staff's recommendation of April 9, 2013. The Commission has not issued an order regarding Staff's recommendation. Staff's recommendation contained four recommendations of which one was the rejection of MGE's tariff sheet filed on February 8, 2013 (JG-2013-0355). Staff has reviewed MGE's tariff sheet and accompanying Motion and has determined that MGE's newly submitted ISRS tariff sheet (YG-2013-0450) complies with those prescribed rates Staff filed on April 9, 2013, and that tariff filing JG-2013-0355 should be rejected. Staff has no objection to the expedited request of MGE.

Staff has verified that MGE has filed its annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects, or is affected by this filing.

Therefore, Staff recommends that the following tariff sheet, as filed on April 15, 2013, be allowed to go into effect as soon as it is acted upon by the Commission, as requested by MGE.

P.S.C. MO. No. 1

Fifteenth Revised Sheet No. 10, CANCELLING Fourteenth Revised Sheet No. 10

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Case No. GO-2013-0391

AFFIDAVIT OF THOMAS M. IMHOFF

STATE OF MISSOURI)) ss COUNTY OF COLE)

Thomas M. Imhoff, of lawful age, on oath states: that he participated in the preparation of the foregoing Staff Recommendation in memorandum form, to be presented in the above case; that the information in the Staff Recommendation was provided to him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such Staff Recommendation; and that such matters are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this **24th** day of April, 2013.

