

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

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission,)	
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Complainant,)	
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v.)	<u>File No. GC-2011-0100</u>
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Missouri Gas Energy, a Division of Southern Union Company,)	
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)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Issue Date: November 16, 2010

Effective Date: November 16, 2010

On October 7, 2010, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed a complaint with the Commission against Missouri Gas Energy, a division of Southern Union Company ("MGE"). MGE filed its answer on November 12, 2010, in which it denied many of Staff's allegations and requested that the complaint be dismissed. This matter is now at issue and a prehearing conference and procedural schedule are appropriate to ensure its prompt resolution.

At the prehearing conference, the parties or their representatives should be prepared to discuss the nature of any discovery each will conduct and the interval necessary for its completion; the number of witnesses each expects to call at hearing; the number and nature of any exhibits each expects to offer at hearing; and the anticipated length of the hearing. The parties or their representatives should also be prepared to discuss the current status of any settlement negotiations. It is expected that

the prehearing conference will provide an opportunity for the parties to further pursue settlement discussions.

The parties shall jointly file a proposed procedural schedule as directed below. The proposed procedural schedule shall establish dates for the filing of a list of the issues to be determined by the Commission and statements by the parties of their position on each such issue. The proposed procedural schedule shall also include a date for the filing of a list of the witnesses to be called on each day of hearing, the order in which they shall appear and the order of cross-examination agreed upon by the parties. The proposed procedural schedule shall also propose dates for the hearing of this matter.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. A prehearing conference shall be held on December 6, 2010, beginning at 10:00 a.m., at the Commission's offices at the Governor Office Building, Room 305, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs specific accessibility accommodations may call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the prehearing conference.

2. The parties shall jointly prepare and file a proposed procedural schedule no later than December 13, 2010.

3. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 16th day of November, 2010.