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SENIOR REGULATORY LAW JUDGE

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2 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Good morning. We're on the
3 record. This is the prehearing conference In Re Missouri
4 Gas Energy's Revised Transportation Tariff. It's File
5 No. GT-2010-0261.

6 I am Ron Pridgin. I'm the Regulatory Law Judge
7 assigned to preside over this prehearing conference that's
8 being held on April 6th; is that correct?

9 MR. STEINMEIER: 7th.

10 JUDGE PRIDGIN: 7th, pardon me, 2010, Governor's
11 Office Building in Jefferson City, Missouri. The time is
12 about 10:05 a.m. I would like to at this time take
13 entries of appearance from counsel. And could I begin
14 with Missouri Gas Energy, please?

15 MR. COOPER: Yes, your Honor. Dean Cooper from
16 the law firm of Brydon, Swearingen & England, PC, P.O. Box
17 456, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102, appearing on behalf
18 of Missouri Gas Energy, a Division of Southern Union
19 Company.

20 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Mr. Cooper, thank. On behalf of
21 the Staff of the Commission, please.

22 MS. SHEMWELL: Good morning. Thank you, your
23 Honor. Lera Shemwell representing the Staff of the
24 Missouri Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 360,
25 Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102.

1 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Ms. Shemwell, thank you. On
2 behalf of Office of Public Counsel, please?

3 MR. POSTON: Thank you. Marc Poston appearing
4 for the Office of Public Counsel and the public, P.O. Box
5 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102.

6 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Mr. Poston, thank you. And on
7 behalf of Constellation New Energy, please.

8 MR. STEINMEIER: Thank you, your Honor. Please
9 let the record reflect the appearance of William D.
10 Steinmeier, William D. Steinmeier, PC, P.O. Box 104595 in
11 Jefferson City, appearing on behalf of Constellation New
12 Energy Gas Division, LLC.

13 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Mr. Steinmeier, thank you. And
14 on behalf of One OK Marketing, please.

15 MR. HATFIELD: Thank you, your Honor. Chuck
16 Hatfield, Stinson Morrison Hecker for One OK. Address and
17 phone number are on the entry of appearance form.

18 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Mr. Hatfield, thank you. Any
19 other counsel wishing to enter an appearance? All right.
20 Hearing none, I convened this prehearing conference due to
21 a motion from Constellation New Energy, and that motion is
22 due to a tariff that MGE filed roughly March 23rd or so.
23 My dates may be incorrect.

24 And I believe the tariff effective date is
25 September 1st. I did this -- excuse me. May 15th looks

1 to be the tariff date. I did this and looked at a
2 calendar, and I -- obviously, I'll be leaving the room
3 shortly and letting you talk with substance. But I
4 understand that -- at some point, if you need hearing
5 dates, I wanted to at least look and let you know of
6 possible law jam because of other cases, Empire, Missouri
7 American, Atmos, Laclede.

8 I believe the Commission calendar is going to be
9 pretty full. I've tentatively grabbed a week in -- it's
10 the middle of June, I believe, somewhere around June 14th.
11 And I've blocked that out. So the hearing room is
12 available for that week.

13 And I can certainly doublecheck on that day, but
14 it's somewhere around the middle of June. The parties are
15 certainly free to suggest other dates and -- and whatever.
16 But because of Commission schedules between hearings here
17 and being out of town for conferences, I think your
18 choices other than that are going to be pretty limited.
19 So I thought I'd at least let you know that before you
20 started talking.

21 MS. SHEMWELL: I'm certainly hoping a week will
22 not be -- would not be necessary for a hearing.

23 JUDGE PRIDGIN: I didn't think so. I just saw a
24 free week, and I grabbed it. Yeah. I'm hoping a week is
25 not necessary either. Like I said, you're free to --

1 you're free to look at the calendar and suggest something
2 else. I'm not saying you can't or shouldn't, but I saw a
3 free week between now and September, and I grabbed it. So
4 you're welcome.

5 Is there anything else that the parties need to
6 bring to my attention before I conclude the on-the-record
7 portion of the conference?

8 MR. STEINMEIER: I don't think -- until we've
9 had a chance to talk about it, we -- we included in our
10 initial motion a request that certain testimony from 0355
11 be incorporated by reference into the record of this case.
12 I think we can talk about that. I don't need to press for
13 a ruling on that at the moment.

14 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Okay. And I -- and I recall
15 that motion. Thank you, Mr. Steinmeier. Obviously, you
16 know, my office is up on the 9th floor. The hearing
17 calendar is up on the 9th floor.

18 You have access to this room until 5:00. You
19 can come see me if you have any questions. And I believe
20 you have a proposed procedural schedule due in a week. If
21 you need more time, please let me know.

22 Is there anything else the parties need to bring
23 to my attention? All right. Hearing nothing, that will
24 conclude the on-the-record portion of the prehearing
25 conference in GT-2010-0261. Thank you very much. We're

1 off the record.

2 (The proceedings were concluded at 10:08 a.m. on
3 April 7, 2010.)

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