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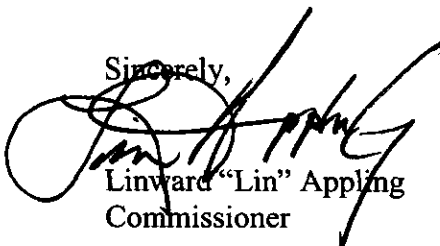
To the Chief Executive Officers of Missouri's regulated gas and electric companies:

The Commission's Cold Weather Rule is critical to your customers, especially those with low incomes. While the rule keeps the service on during the coldest winter weather, it doesn't pay for it. That was never the rule's intent.

Therefore, I am asking all of Missouri's regulated gas and electric utilities to step up to the plate. Please go back to your board rooms to see if you can contribute more financial assistance *from your bottom line* to programs that help low-income families.

Please review your policies to see if there is *anything* you can do. This is a time when extra help is definitely in the public interest. ~~I am sorry I could not be in the hearing room today for the whole rulemaking proceeding.~~ Thank you for your consideration; I trust you will do the right thing.

Sincerely,



Linward "Lin" Appling
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C: Chair Davis, Commissioners Murray, Gaw and Clayton

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