BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of Proposed Emergency)	
Amendment to Commission Rule 4 CSR)	Case No. GX-2006-0181
240-13.055)	

PUBLIC COUNSEL'S LATE-FILED EXHIBIT

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel and in the above-captioned case states as follows:

- 1) At the December 6, 2005 public hearing on the above-captioned matter, Public Counsel agreed that it would attempt to gather (1) aggregate information comparing arrearages and disconnections between Fall 2000 and Fall 2005; and (2) aggregate information comparing usage and billings between Winter 2000-2001 and Winter 2005-2006 (estimated).
- 2) Public Counsel requested such information from the gas utilities and appreciates the efforts of gas utilities to respond on such short notice.
- 3) Unfortunately, Public Counsel is unable to aggregate its findings based on the number and format of the responses received.
- 4) However, Public Counsel attaches the submissions from those companies that were able to respond and requests that, because the responses are not aggregated, that the responses be treated as Highly Confidential.

WHEREFORE, Public Counsel respectfully files the attached Exhibit.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, emailed or hand-delivered to the following this 13th day of December 2005.

/s/ Eric A. Martin