

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its Office in
Jefferson City on the 22nd day of
July, 2015.

In the Matter of a Workshop Docket to Enhance)	
Public Safety Responses to Gas Leaks and to)	<u>File No. GW-2016-0013</u>
Prevent Third-Party Damage to Gas Facilities)	

**ORDER OPENING A WORKING FILE TO FACILITATE DEVELOPMENT OF A
STATE-WIDE POLICY REGARDING RESPONSES TO GAS LEAKS AND TO
PREVENT THIRD-PARTY DAMAGE TO GAS FACILITIES**

Issue Date: July 22, 2015

Effective Date: July 22, 2015

On July 13, 2015, the Staff of the Commission filed a motion asking the Commission to open a proceeding to facilitate discussions to develop a state-wide policy and apparatus for communications and coordination between gas utilities, fire departments, and other emergency responders, to enhance the effectiveness of efforts to respond when a gas leak has occurred, and to prevent third-party damage to natural gas facilities. This working file will facilitate Staff's efforts to obtain input from interested stakeholders regarding those efforts.

Staff may solicit opinions and recommendations from interested stakeholders in whatever manner it believes will be effective. If it believes an order from the Commission scheduling a workshop or otherwise assisting Staff in obtaining information is necessary it may file a motion requesting such action. Staff will be directed to file a report of its findings and recommendations in six months. As part of its report, Staff

shall recommend whether this case should remain open to facilitate further investigation.

This file will serve as a repository for documents and comments. Using this file, any person with an interest in this matter may view documents and may submit comments or documents. As this is not a contested case, anyone may file a comment without legal counsel and without *ex parte* constraints. Intervention requests are not necessary to submit comments or view documents.

The public is welcome to submit comments through the Commission's electronic filing and information system (EFIS) at the Commission's website, <http://www.psc.mo.gov>. (Click on the EFIS/Case filings link on the left side of the page. Scroll down and click on the public comment link. Please refer to File No. GW-2016-0013.) Written comments in hard copy may be mailed to the Commission at P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 and should also reference File No. GW-2016-0013. The public can view the contents of the file by following the link at <http://www.psc.mo.gov>.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Data Center shall provide a copy of this order to all entities subject to the Commission's gas-safety regulations.
2. The Commission's Public Information Office shall make notice of this order available to the news media and to the members of the General Assembly.
3. Staff shall file a report describing the results of its investigation no later than January 19, 2016.

4. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff

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Secretary

R. Kenney, Chm., Stoll, W. Kenney
Hall, and Rupp, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge