STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 30th day of May, 2018.

In the Matter of the Amendment of)	
Natural Gas Safety Rules)	File No. GX-2018-0279
)	

FINDING OF NECESSITY AND ORDER DIRECTING PROPOSED RULE AMENDMENTS AND RESCISSIONS BE FILED FOR PUBLICATION

Issue Date: May 30, 2018 Effective Date: May 30, 2018

The Commission has undertaken this rulemaking to amend its rules regarding the gas pipeline safety program. Federal law requires that this state take measures to adopt each applicable federal pipeline safety standard within a prescribed period of time. Additionally, the Commission is making changes to streamline the regulations and eliminate duplicative provisions.

The Commission proposes to rescind 4 CSR 240-3.270, 3.280, 3.290, and 3.295. These rules are being rescinded because they are simultaneously being consolidated into 4 CSR 240-40.020 and 40.030 in order to simplify and improve the regulations by streamlining and eliminating duplicative requirements. The Commission proposes to amend 4 CSR 240-40.020, .030, and .080 to conform those rules to recent amendments to the Code of Federal Regulations at 49 CSR parts 40, 191, 192, and 199 and to streamline and clarify the regulations and eliminate duplicative provisions.

The Commission finds that the amendments and rescissions are necessary to protect the public interest and to carry out the purposes of the statute that granted the

rulemaking authority. The Commission has discussed these amendments with interested stakeholders and will seek further comments during the rulemaking process.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- The Secretary of the Commission shall file the rescissions and amendments with the Secretary of State for publication in the Missouri Register as proposed rescissions and amendments.
 - 2. This order shall be effective when issued.



Hall, Chm., Kenney, Rupp, Coleman, and Silvey, CC., concur.

Nancy Dippell, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 30th day of May 2018.

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Morris L. Woodruff

Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION May 30, 2018

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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