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6 TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS
7 Prehearing Conference
8 March 19, 2003
9 Jefferson City, Missouri
10 Volume 3
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12 In the Matter of the Application of)
13 Southern Union Company d/b/a)
14 Missouri Gas Energy for Authority to)
15 Acquire Directly or Indirectly, Up)
16 to and Including One Hundred Percent) Case No. GM-2003-0238
17 (100%) of the Equity Interests of)
18 Panhandle Eastern Pipeline Company,)
19 Including its Subsidiaries, and to)
20 Take All Other Actions Reasonably)
21 Necessary to Effectuate Said)
22 Transaction.)
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24 MORRIS L. WOODRUFF, Presiding,
25 SENIOR REGULATORY LAW JUDGE.
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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 JUDGE WOODRUFF: We're here for a prehearing
3 conference in Case No. GM-2003-0238, and we're going to
4 begin with entries of appearance, beginning with Staff.

5 MR. FRANSON: Robert Franson, Senior Counsel
6 appearing for the Staff of the Public Service Commission.

7 JUDGE WOODRUFF: Thank you. And for Public
8 Counsel?

9 MR. MICHEEL: Douglas E. Micheel appearing on
10 behalf of the Office of the Public Counsel and the Public,
11 P.O. Box 7800, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-7800.

12 JUDGE WOODRUFF: And for Southern Union?

13 MR. SWEARENGEN: James C. Swearengen and Rob
14 Hack on behalf of Southern Union Company.

15 JUDGE WOODRUFF: And for Pace, the union,
16 anyone here for them?

17 (No response.)

18 JUDGE WOODRUFF: For Laclede?

19 MR. FISCHER: James M. Fischer, 101 Madison
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21 JUDGE WOODRUFF: And for AmerenUE?

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24 JUDGE WOODRUFF: Municipal Gas Association?

25 MR. KINCHELOE: Duncan Kincheloe, 2407 West

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3 JUDGE WOODRUFF: For Enbridge Pipelines?

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7 JUDGE WOODRUFF: For the Midwest Gas Users
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9 MR. FINNEGAN: Jeremiah D. Finnegan, Finnegan,
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11 JUDGE WOODRUFF: And for KCPL?

12 MR. RUMP: Mike Rump, Kansas City Power &
13 Light, 1201 Walnut, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

14 JUDGE WOODRUFF: And for the Attorney General?

15 MR. MOLTENI: Ronald Molteni, Assistant
16 Attorney General, on behalf of the State of Missouri,
17 207 West High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, P. O.
18 Box 899, 65102.

19 JUDGE WOODRUFF: Before we do anything else,
20 one preliminary matter. Mr. Kincheloe handed me a Motion
21 for Leave to Withdraw as a Party. Has this actually been
22 filed at this point?

23 MR. KINCHELOE: It has not been filed except
24 by submission to you, but we would ask that the Municipal
25 Gas Commission of Missouri be allowed to withdraw as a

1 party, be dismissed from this proceeding, the issues having
2 centered on issues that are not pertinent to the Commission,
3 the Gas Commission.

4 JUDGE WOODRUFF: Anyone have any objection to
5 the Gas Commission withdrawing from this case?

6 (No response.)

7 JUDGE WOODRUFF: I'll go ahead and grant that
8 motion at this time. Subsequently, I'll issue a written
9 notice to that effect as well to get you out of the case.

10 MR. KINCHELOE: Thank you very much.

11 JUDGE WOODRUFF: Are there any other matters
12 anyone wants to bring up on the record?

13 (No response.)

14 JUDGE WOODRUFF: All right. You're here
15 today, of course, to discuss this case. By the procedural
16 schedule that was previously established, a list of issues
17 is due tomorrow, and your position on those issues is due on
18 Friday. So you'll have a lot of work ahead of you today to
19 work all this out.

20 I'll be upstairs if you need to ask me any
21 questions. Otherwise, I'll give you one more opportunity to
22 bring anything up to that you wish to while we're on the
23 record.

24 All right. With that, then the on-the-record
25 portion of this proceeding is ended and I'll leave you to

1 your work.

2 Thank you.

3 WHEREUPON, the recorded portion of the
4 prehearing conference was concluded.

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