

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Utility,)	
Inc.'s Purchased Gas Adjustment)	
(PGA) Factors to be audited in its)	Case No. GR-2009-0306
2007-2008 Actual Cost Adjustment.)	
)	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Commission and submits its recommendation concerning Missouri Gas Utility's Actual Cost Adjustment Filing.

1. On October 29, 2009, Missouri Gas Utility (MGU or Company) of Littleton, Colorado filed tariff sheets requesting an effective date of November 13, 2009.
2. MGU proposes changes to its Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors based on estimated changes in the cost of natural gas for the upcoming winter season.
3. With this filing, MGU erroneously opened a new PGA/ACA case (GR-2010-0129).
4. On November 3, 2009, MGU filed a Motion To Consolidate the new case, GR-2010-0129 with the PGA/ACA case it should have been filed in GR-2009-0306. The Commission agreed, and on November 3, 2009, the Commission issued its Order consolidating GR-2010-0129 with GR-2009-0306 and designating GR-2009-0306 as the lead case.
5. In its Memorandum Staff calculates the PGA changes and recommends approval on an expedited basis as the Company requests.
6. Staff also recommends the rate changes should be on an interim, subject to refund basis only status pending a final Commission decision in ACA Case No. GR-2009-0306.

7. Due to the limited time available to review the documentation supporting the ACA factor represented in this filing, the Procurement Analysis Department (PAD) has requested permission to submit its results and recommendations regarding the information included in this ACA filing to the Commission on or before December 31, 2010.

8. Staff has reviewed this filing and has determined that it was calculated in conformance with MGU's PGA Clause.

WHEREFORE Staff recommends the Commission approve this tariff filing on an expedited basis, but on an interim subject-to-refund basis, to be effective on November 13, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

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