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Yvonne Ferguson,)
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Petitioner,)
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vs.)Case No. GC-2009-0138
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Missouri Gas Energy)
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Respondent.)

RONALD D. PRIDGIN, Presiding
SENIOR REGULATORY LAW JUDGE

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 JUDGE PRIDGIN: All right. Good morning. We're
3 on the record. This the prehearing conference in Case No.
4 GC-2009-0138, Yvonne Ferguson versus Missouri Gas Energy.

5 This prehearing conference is being held on
6 February 9th, 2009, at the Governor Office Building in
7 Jefferson City, Missouri. And the other parties are
8 present in person or by counsel here in the hearing room.
9 Ms. Ferguson is present by telephone.

10 I would like to get entries of appearance from
11 Counsel, please, beginning with the Staff of the
12 Commission.

13 MR. BERLIN: Appearing on behalf of the Staff of
14 the Missouri Public Service Commission, Bob Berlin, Post
15 Office Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102. And I'd
16 like to note for the record that Marilyn Doerhoff is also
17 present, and she is our Consumer Services Representative.

18 JUDGE PRIDGIN: All right. Mr. Berlin, thank
19 you. On behalf of Missouri Gas Energy, please?

20 MR. COOPER: Dean L. Cooper from the law firm of
21 Brydon, Swearngen & England, P.O. Box 456, Jefferson
22 City, Missouri, 65102, appearing on behalf of Missouri Gas
23 Energy, a division of Southern Union Company.

24 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Mr. Cooper, thank you. Ms.
25 Ferguson, can I ask you to state your name and your

1 address for the record, please?

2 MS. FERGUSON: Yes. My name is Yvonne Ferguson.
3 I live at 1632 Bushman Drive, Kansas City, Missouri,
4 64110.

5 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Thank you very much. Is there
6 an entry of appearance from the Office of the Public
7 Counsel? All right. Hearing none, OPC does not enter an
8 appearance in this prehearing conference.

9 The reason I set this is that it looks like we
10 have a complaint, and answer and a staff report filed.
11 And this is normally the next step I would take in a case
12 to try to get it to resolution.

13 The purpose, really, of this prehearing
14 conference would be two-fold. And one would be that at
15 least I'm convinced that the parties have got together at
16 least once to discuss their dispute and see if there's
17 some way they can resolve or perhaps minimize their
18 dispute. And then, secondly, if you're unable to do so,
19 to come up with mutually agreeable dates for a hearing.

20 I will conclude the on-the-record portion of the
21 prehearing conference here in just a moment, and then you
22 -- you will have this phone port until noon. If you need
23 to talk other than to noon, you'll need to -- I'm sorry.
24 We're not on a port. We're on her personal line. So I'm
25 sorry. You don't have that time deadline. I apologize.

1 My office is on the 9th floor, as I'm sure
2 you're all aware, and the calendar is up there if anybody
3 has any questions about when the Commission would be
4 available for a hearing.

5 Is there anything else that the parties need
6 from me or would like to bring to my attention?

7 MS. FERGUSON: Nothing that I can think of.

8 JUDGE PRIDGIN: All right. Very good. Then
9 that will concludes this prehearing conference in Case No.
10 GC-2009-0138. Thank you very much. We're off the record.

11 (The proceedings were concluded at 10:05 a.m.
12 on February 9, 2009.)

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