

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

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's Tariffs	)	
Increasing Rates for Gas Service Provided to	)	<b><u>Case No. GR-2006-0422</u></b>
Customers in the Company's Missouri Service	)	
Area	)	

**NOTICE REGARDING TESTIMONY**  
**DURING LOCAL PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Issue Date: December 5, 2006

On October 26, 2006, the Missouri Public Service Commission held local public hearings in Joplin, Republic and Kansas City, Missouri. During the testimony of Pattie Ellis in Republic, there were technical difficulties and the Commission was unable to hear portions of her testimony. Because it appeared that Ms. Ellis was reading from a pre-written statement, the Regulatory Law Judge suggested that she submit that statement to the Commission to supplement the transcript. Also, Ms. Ellis offered written statements from persons with whom she had discussions regarding Missouri Gas Energy's proposed rate increased. On behalf of Ms. Ellis, the Staff of the Commission submitted to the judge for review, letters written by persons other than Ms. Ellis and reports and articles concerning Southern Union Company, the parent of MGE.

As explained during the hearing, the Commission will not admit into the record the written statements of persons not available to vouch for the validity of those statements. In essence, the statements lack foundation.

With regard to the written supplements to Ms. Ellis' statements, the transcript fairly reflects her testimony. The reports and articles to which she referred during her testimony will not be attached to the transcript. The judge was under the impression that Ms. Ellis was reading from a prepared statement. If so, that statement could have been used to fill in the "inaudible" portions of her testimony. Instead, Ms. Ellis was summarizing her research on Southern Union. That research has not been subject to review and scrutiny of all parties in this matter. Although possibly relevant, these documents have no probative value and their contents are adequately reflected in Ms. Ellis' testimony.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 5th day of December, 2006.

Jones, Senior Regulatory Law Judge