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

Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission,	)
Complainant,	)
V.	) File No. GC-2011-0045
Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P., d/b/a Southern Missouri Natural Gas,	)
Respondent.	)

## ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: March 1, 2010 Effective Date: March 1, 2010

On August 23, 2010,<sup>1</sup> the above-referenced complaint was filed. The Commission issued notice to Respondent on August 24, giving it until September 23 to answer the complaint.

On September 21, Respondent filed a Motion to Suspend Filing Deadline. Respondent averred that it has a pending small utility rate case in which it believes the subject-matter of the complaint can be resolved. Thus, Respondent asked the Commission to indefinitely suspend its deadline to file an answer. Respondent stated that should the rate case not resolve the issues presented in the complaint, the parties would so notify the Commission.

The Commission notes that Respondent's rate case, File No. GR-2010-0347, is closed. Thus, the Commission will order the parties to state whether the complaint can be dismissed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All calendar references are to 2010 unless otherwise noted.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The parties shall respond as ordered above no later than March 11, 2011.
- 2. This order shall become effective immediately on issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed Secretary

(SEAL)

Ronald D. Pridgin, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2011.