

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

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

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO SUSPEND FILING DEADLINE

Issue Date: September 22, 2010

Effective Date: September 22, 2010

On August 23, 2010,¹ 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 avers that it has a pending small utility rate case in which it believes the subject-matter of the complaint can be resolved. Thus, Respondent asks the Commission to indefinitely suspend its deadline to file an answer. Should the rate case not resolve the issues presented in the complaint, the parties would so notify the Commission. Finally, Respondent avers that Staff does not oppose the motion.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(15) gives parties ten days to respond to motions unless otherwise ordered by the Commission. However, due to Respondent's statement

¹ All calendar references are to 2010 unless otherwise noted.

that Staff does not oppose the motion, the Commission will take up Respondent's motion unopposed. The Commission finds the motion reasonable, and will grant it.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Motion to Suspend Filing Deadline is granted.
2. This order shall become effective immediately on issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

(S E A L)

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 22nd day of September, 2010.