BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of the application of)	
Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P. for)	Case No. GE-2006-0156
a variance from 4 CSR 240-14.020(1)(D))	

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

COMES NOW the Staff of the Commission and for its Motion for Extension of Time states:

- 1. On October 10, 2005, Southern Missouri Gas Company. L.P. (SMGC) filed an application for variance from certain restrictions in the Commission's Promotional Practices Rule, 4 CSR 240-14.020(I)(D) to permit SMGC to offer a water-heater rebate program.
- 2. On October 12, 2005, the Commission issued an Order Directing Filing, ordering the Staff of the Commission to file its recommendation or status report. In its pleading filed on November 18, 2005, Staff indicated that it could file its recommendation on the application not later than November 30, 2005.
- 3. On November 22, 2005, SMGC extended until December 23, 2005 the effective date of the tariff embodying the variance.
- 4. One member of the Staff working on the Staff recommendation is on funeral leave. The Staff asks the Commission to grant it an extension of time until Wednesday, December 7, 2005 to file its recommendation.
 - 5. Counsel for SMGC does not oppose this extension.

WHEREFORE, Staff asks the Commission to grant it until December 7, 2005 to file its recommendation in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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