## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P. d/b/a Southern Missouri Natural Gas, for Authority to Issue Approximately \$10 Million in Equity Capital and Approximately \$50 Million In Notes and Other Forms of Indebtedness.

Case No. GF-2007-0215

## ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: March 5, 2007 Effective Date: March 5, 2007

On December 12, 2006, Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P. d/b/a Southern Missouri Natural Gas (SMNG), filed an application for authority to issue approximately \$10 million in additional equity capital and approximately \$50 million in notes and other indebtedness. The Commission directed its Staff to indicate when it would be able to file a recommendation regarding the application, and ultimately established February 27, 2007, as the date for Staff to file a recommendation or a status report.

On February 27, 2007, Staff filed its response. Staff relates that it has submitted requests to SMNG for detailed information necessary to an analysis of the financing application. Staff states that it is still investigating the matter and is not yet in a position to make an informed recommendation. Staff requests an extension of time and proposes to file another status report, or its final report, on or before April 15, 2007.

The Commission has considered the Staff's response and finds it reasonable to grant the requested extension.

## IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Staff of the Commission shall file its recommendation, or a status report, no later than April 15, 2007.
  - 2. This order shall become effective on March 5, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 5th day of March, 2007.