BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's 2006-2007 Actual Cost Adjustment

File No. GR-2007-0256

ORDER EXTENDING TIME TO FILE PROGRESS REPORT

Issue Date: January 26, 2010

Effective Date: January 26, 2010

Based on representations that the parties have been engaged in settlement negotiations, the Commission suspended the previously established procedural schedule and directed Staff to file either a settlement agreement or a revised procedural schedule by January 22, 2010. On January 22, Staff filed a request for additional time to continue settlement discussions.

Staff explains that it is continuing to discuss the issues with Missouri Gas Energy and believes additional time for negotiation will likely result in a settlement. Staff proposes to notify the Commission no later than March 19 whether the parties have reached a settlement. If there is no settlement, Staff will file a progress report or propose a new procedural schedule at that time. Staff represents that Public Counsel and MGE, the only other parties to this case, concur in its request for more time.

Staff's request is reasonable and is not opposed by any party. The Commission will grant Staff's request.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Staff shall file a pleading no later than March 19, 2010, indicating whether the parties have reached a settlement.

2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed Secretary

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Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 26th day of January, 2010.