

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

In the Matter of the General Rate Increase)	<u>Case No. GR-2008-0060, et al.</u>
for Natural Gas Service Provided by)	Tariff No. YG-2008-0576
Missouri Gas Utility, Inc.)	

STAFF’S EXPEDITED RECOMMENDATION

Comes now the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), and for its recommendation states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”):

1. On March 3, 2008, a Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement was filed on behalf of Staff, Missouri Gas Utility, Inc. (“MGU”), and the Office of Public Counsel (“OPC”).

2. On March 20, 2008, the Commission issued its Order Approving Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement and Authorizing Tariff Filing (“Order”) after hearing. Within this Order MGU was “authorized to file tariffs in compliance with the terms of the Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement.”

3. On March 24, 2008, MGU filed its Motion for Expedited Treatment And Approval Of Tariff Sheets On Less Than Thirty Days’ Notice and accompanying tariff sheets.

4. Consequently, on March 24, 2008, the Commission issued its Order Directing Staff to File an Expedited Recommendation regarding MGU’s tariff compliance filing.

5. In the attached memorandum, labeled Attachment A, the Staff notes that it has reviewed the tariff sheets as filed by MGU on March 24, 2008, and states MGU’s filing complies with the Commission’s Order. Staff recommends approval of these tariff sheets, as listed in Staff’s memorandum. Finally, Staff notes the expedited April 15, 2008, effective date of the tariff sheets coincides with MGU’s meter reading and a new billing period.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully recommends the Commission approve MGU’s tariff filing with the expedited effective date of April 15, 2008.

Respectfully Submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 27th day of March 2008.

/s/ Shelley Syler Brueggemann_____

MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File,
Case No. GR-2008-0060, File No. YG-2008-0576, Missouri Gas Utility, Inc.

FROM: Thomas M. Imhoff, Energy Department - Tariffs/Rate Design

/s/ Thomas M. Imhoff 03/27/08 /s/ Sarah Kliethermes 03/27/08
Energy Department/Date General Counsel's Office/Date

SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation On Missouri Gas Utility, Inc.'s Tariff Sheets Filed to Comply with
the Commission's Order Approving Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement And Request For
Expedited Treatment

DATE: March 27, 2008

On March 20, 2008, the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) issued its Order Approving Stipulation and Agreement (Order) in Case No. GR-2008-0060, the Missouri Gas Utility, Inc. (MGU or Company) natural gas rate case. This Order approved an increase in the Company's overall Missouri jurisdictional gross annual **natural** gas revenues of \$301,000.

The Company filed tariff sheets on March 24, 2008 to comply with the Order. On March 24, 2008, MGU also filed a Motion For Expedited Treatment And Approval of Tariff Sheets on Less Than Thirty Days' Notice (Motion).

In its letter of transmittal accompanying the March 24, 2008 compliance filing and Motion, MGU requested expedited treatment to reflect an effective date of April 15, 2008, which would be less than the standard 30-day period, but which complies with the Commission approved Stipulation and Agreement. The requested April 15, 2008 effective date coincides with MGU's meter reading and the start of a new billing period. MGU does not have the ability to pro-rate usage on their bills, and would have to wait until the May 15, 2008 time period to implement the rate change if this Motion is not approved.

The Commission's Energy Department - Tariffs/Rate Design Staff (Staff) has reviewed the tariff sheets and Motion as filed by MGU on March 24, 2008, and is of the opinion that these sheets are in compliance with the Commission's Order. Staff is also of the opinion that good cause for approval of these tariff sheets on less than thirty days notice is demonstrated by the Commission's Order approving the Stipulation and Agreement and the tariff prohibition of MGU's ability to pro-rating a customer's bill. Therefore, Staff recommends the following tariff sheets filed on March 24, 2008, with an effective date of April 15, 2008, be approved:

P.S.C. MO. No. 1

1st Revised Sheet No. 5 Cancels Original Sheet No. 5
1st Revised Sheet No. 9 Cancels Original Sheet No. 9
1st Revised Sheet No. 10 Cancels Original Sheet No. 10
1st Revised Sheet No. 11 Cancels Original Sheet No. 11
1st Revised Sheet No. 12 Cancels Original Sheet No. 12
1st Revised Sheet No. 13 Cancels Original Sheet No. 13
1st Revised Sheet No. 15 Cancels Original Sheet No. 15
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1st Revised Sheet No. 17 Cancels Original Sheet No. 17
1st Revised Sheet No. 19 Cancels Original Sheet No. 19
1st Revised Sheet No. 20 Cancels Original Sheet No. 20
1st Revised Sheet No. 21 Cancels Original Sheet No. 21
1st Revised Sheet No. 23 Cancels Original Sheet No. 23
1st Revised Sheet No. 24 Cancels Original Sheet No. 24
1st Revised Sheet No. 39 Cancels Original Sheet No. 39
1st Revised Sheet No. 46 Cancels Original Sheet No. 46
4th Revised Sheet No. 51 Cancels 3rd Revised Sheet No. 51
1st Revised Sheet No. 54 Cancels Original Sheet No. 54
1st Revised Sheet No. 55 Cancels Original Sheet No. 55
1st Revised Sheet No. 61 Cancels Original Sheet No. 61
1st Revised Sheet No. 82 Cancels Original Sheet No. 82

The Staff has verified that MGU has filed its annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing.

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Increase for Natural Gas Service)	Case No. GR-2008-0060
Provided by Missouri Gas Utility, Inc.)	

AFFIDAVIT OF THOMAS M. IMHOFF

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss
COUNTY OF COLE)

Thomas M. Imhoff, of lawful age, on oath states: that he has participated in the preparation of the foregoing Staff Memorandum in Support of the compliance filing, to be presented in the above case; that the information in the Staff Memorandum was given by him; that he has knowledge of the matters set forth in such Staff Memorandum; and that such matters are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.


Thomas M. Imhoff

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of March, 2007.



SUSAN L. SUNDERMEYER
My Commission Expires
September 21, 2010
Callaway County
Commission #06942086


Notary Public