

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

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy and)	
Its Tariff Filing to Implement a General)	Case No. GR-2009-0355
Rate Increase for Natural Gas Service)	

**REQUEST TO EXTEND DATE FOR FILING JOINT LIST OF ISSUES, ORDER
OF WITNESSES, ORDER OF CROSS-EXAMINATION AND INDIVIDUAL
STATEMENTS OF POSITION/PREHEARING BRIEFS**

COMES NOW the Staff with the agreement of the Parties to this case and respectfully requests the Commission extend the date for filing the Joint List of Issues, Order of Witnesses, and Order of Cross-Examination and the Statements of Position/Prehearing Briefs by two days. In support of its request, Staff states:

1. On April 2, 2009, in Case No. GR-2009-0355, MGE filed tariff sheets to increase rates by \$32,416,997.
2. Settlement discussions are scheduled for Monday October 19.
3. Staff proposes to delay filing the Joint List of Issues, Order of Witnesses, and Order of Cross-Examination and the Statements of Position/Prehearing Briefs by two days, until October 21, to permit the Parties to further discuss resolution of some of the issues.
4. Staff has heard from all counsel and no one has objected to this request.

WHEREFORE Staff respectfully requests the Commission extend by two days the due date for filing the Joint List of Issues, Order of Witnesses, and Order of Cross-

Examination and the Statements of Position/Prehearing Briefs and set the filing date of October 21.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to all counsel of record this 16th day of October, 2009.

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