

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Missouri Gas Utility, Inc.,)
for Authority to Enter into certain Debt Instruments and to)
Issue up to and including \$26,400,000 of) **File No. GF-2010-0334**
Long-Term Indebtedness, in one or more Transactions,)
and to, among other things, Execute and Deliver a Mortgage)
and Security Agreement to Secure said Indebtedness.)

ORDER DIRECTING EXPEDITED RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: May 20, 2010

Effective Date: May 20, 2010

The Missouri Public Service Commission is setting a deadline for Staff to file a recommendation on the above-styled application. The deadline is expedited. The reason for the expedited deadline is as follows.

According to the application at pages 4-5, paragraph 10, the “practical deadline” for the applicant to obtain part of its financing is June 30,¹ a Wednesday. Wednesday is the Commission’s usual agenda day. A decision issued on June 30 would not allow a reasonable time to file a motion for rehearing as required by law.² The Wednesday before June 30 is June 23, when some of the Commission and Staff will be in the Republic of Moldova, making any agenda uncertain. The Wednesday before June 23 is June 16. Making a decision on that day will require time to draft a decision and review the recommendation.

Under those circumstances, the Commission will set an expedited deadline for a recommendation, and Staff may seek an extension if circumstances prove otherwise.

¹ All dates are in 2010.

² ***State ex rel. Office of Public Counsel v. Public Service Com'n of State***, 236 S.W.3d 632, 636 (Mo. banc, 2007), citing ***State ex rel. St. Louis County v. Public Service Comm'n***, 228 S.W.2d 1, 2 (Mo. 1950).

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. This Commission's Staff shall file a recommendation as to the application no later than June 10, 2010.
2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

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Daniel Jordan, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 20th day of May, 2010.