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RE: Case No. GR-2001-382 et al.

**Missouri Public
Service Commission**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding please find an original and eight copies of the Missouri Gas Energy's Proposed Procedural Schedule. Please stamp the enclosed extra copy "filed" and return same to me.

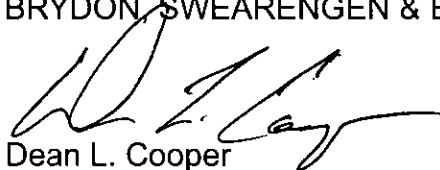
If you have any questions concerning this matter, then please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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By:

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

Missouri Public
Service Commission

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's Purchased)	
Gas Adjustment Tariff Revisions to be Reviewed)	Case No. GR-2001-382
in its 2000-2001 Actual Cost Adjustment.)	

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's Purchased)	
Gas Cost Adjustment Factors to be Reviewed)	Case No. GR-2000-425
in its 1999-2000 Actual Cost Adjustment.)	

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's Purchased)	
Gas Cost Adjustment Factors to be Reviewed)	Case No. GR-99-304
in its 1998-1999 Actual Cost Adjustment.)	

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's Purchased)	
Gas Cost Adjustment Tariff Revisions to be)	Case No. GR-98-167
Reviewed in its 1997-1998 Actual Cost Adjustment.)	

PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Comes now Missouri Gas Energy ("MGE"), a division of Southern Union Company, and, in response to the Missouri Public Service Commission's ("Commission") Order Directing Parties to File a Proposed Procedural Schedule, respectfully states as follows:

1. On October 17, 2002, the Commission issued its Order Directing the Parties to File a Proposed Procedural Schedule. This Order, among other things, directed that the parties file, no later than October 31, 2002, a proposed procedural schedule that leads to an initial hearing on the issues concerning Staff's proposed adjustment based on imputing income to MGE for the release of capacity on the Kansas Pipeline, and its proposed disallowance based on MGE's purchasing practices related to hedging and use of storage capacity, as well as the issue relating to Staff's

request for a Peak Day Requirements Study.

2. In response to the Commission Order and after consultation with the other parties to this matter, MGE proposes the following Procedural Schedule¹:

January 15, 2003	Direct Testimony (all parties wishing to file)
March 18, 2003	Rebuttal Testimony (all parties wishing to file)
April 22, 2002	Surrebuttal testimony (all parties wishing to file)
April 29, 2003	Issues List to be filed
May 2, 2003	Position Statements (all parties)
May 12-16, 2003	Hearing

3. Counsel for the Commission Staff; the Office of the Public Counsel; the City of Joplin; and, Riverside Pipeline Company, L.P., Mid-Kansas Partnership and Kansas Pipeline Company, have stated that they have no objection to the schedule proposed above.

WHEREFORE, MGE respectfully requests that the Commission issue its Order adopting the above procedural schedule leading to an initial hearing on the issues concerning Staff's proposed adjustment based on imputing income to MGE for the release of capacity on the Kansas Pipeline, and its proposed disallowance based on MGE's purchasing practices related to hedging and use of storage capacity, as well as the issue relating to Staff's request for a Peak Day Requirements Study.

¹ This procedural schedule is proposed with the knowledge that MGE may seek to complete certain discovery prior to the filing of direct testimony. At this time, it appears that Staff members necessary to complete such discovery will be available sufficiently prior to the filing of direct testimony in order to complete this process. However, if this circumstance changes, MGE may seek modification of this schedule.

Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was hand-delivered, or sent U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on this 31st day of October, 2002, to:

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