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RE: Case No. GN-2003-0016

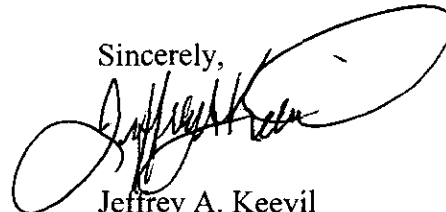
Missouri Public  
Service Commission

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced case is an original and the appropriate number of copies of a REQUEST TO SUSPEND DATE FOR FILING PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE.

Copies of this filing have on this date been mailed or hand-delivered to counsel of record. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey A. Keevil

JAK/er  
Enclosures  
cc: counsel of record

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Missouri Public  
Service Commission

In the matter of the Application of )  
Missouri Gas Company for )  
Authorization to Convert to a )  
Limited Liability Company and )  
Change its Name Accordingly )

Case No. GN-2003-0016

**REQUEST TO SUSPEND DATE FOR FILING PROPOSED  
PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

COMES NOW Missouri Gas Company ("MGC") and for its Request to Suspend  
Procedural Schedule respectfully states as follows:

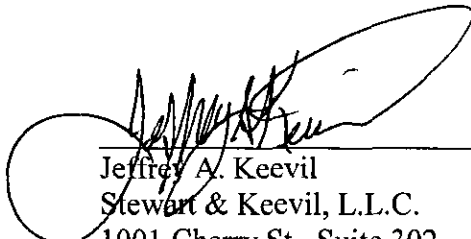
1. On September 12, 2002, the Commission issued an Order Setting Prehearing Conference and Requiring Filing of Procedural Schedule ("Order"). The Order set a prehearing conference for September 23, 2002, and ordered the parties to file a proposed procedural schedule September 30, 2002.
2. On September 23, 2002, the parties met for the scheduled prehearing conference and discussed reaching a stipulation and agreement in this case which would resolve all outstanding issues herein. The parties are currently in the process of circulating among themselves stipulation language to achieve this result.
3. Although the parties are reviewing stipulation language to resolve this case, it will not be possible to have the stipulation finalized and signed by September 30, 2002. As stated above, the Order currently requires the parties to file a proposed procedural schedule September 30, 2002. If a stipulation is reached, as the parties hope, there will be no need for a procedural schedule.
4. In order to allow the parties to review the stipulation language currently being circulated and to hopefully finalize and file a stipulation in this case, the

requirement that the parties file a proposed procedural schedule September 30, 2002, should be suspended.

5. Counsel for MGC has been authorized by counsel for Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel, the only other parties to this case, to request that the Regulatory Law Judge suspend the requirement that the parties file a proposed procedural schedule September 30, 2002.

WHEREFORE, MGC respectfully requests that an order be issued which suspends the requirement that the parties file a proposed procedural schedule September 30, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,



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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing pleading was served by placing same in United States mail, first class postage paid, or by hand delivery, to counsel of record on this 25th day of September, 2002.

