

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

In the matter of the Notification of )  
Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P. for )  
approval of Adoption of the Fictitious )  
Name "Southern Missouri Natural Gas" )  
and Related Tariff Adoption Notice and )  
Title Page. )

Case No. GN-2006-0203

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION CONCERNING SOUTHERN MISSOURI GAS  
COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR ADOPTION OF FICTITIOUS NAME**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its recommendation in the matter of Southern Missouri Gas Company's adoption of a fictitious name states:

1. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.060(5) governs filing requirements when a company proposes to adopt a different or fictitious name:

A name change may be accomplished by filing the items below with a cover letter requesting a change of name. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these rules, a non-attorney may file the items required herein. Applications for approval of a change of a name shall include:

- (A) A statement, clearly setting out both the old name and the new name;
- (B) Evidence of registration of the name change with the Missouri secretary of state; and
- (C) Either an adoption notice and revised tariff title sheet with an effective date, which is not fewer than thirty (30) days after the filing date of the application, or revised tariff sheets with an effective date, which is not fewer than thirty (30) days after the filing date of the application.

2. Staff reviewed the application and determined that SMGC has complied with these requirements and recommends approval of SMGC's application. Please see the attached Staff Recommendation.

**WHEREFORE** for the reasons noted above, and in the attached Staff Recommendation, the Staff recommends approval of SMGC's application for adoption of a fictitious name.

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 17th day of November, 2005.

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