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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102 FILED³ AUG 1 3 2003

Missouri Public Wiss Commission

Re: Southern Union Company d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy Case No. GO-2003-0354

Dear Mr. Roberts:

On behalf of Southern Union Company, I deliver herewith an original and eight (8) copies of a <u>Motion for Protective Order</u> for filing with the Commission in the referenced matter. I would appreciate it if you would see that the copies are distributed to the appropriate Commission personnel. Service copies have been mailed or hand-delivered this date.

I have also enclosed an extra copy of the document which I request that you stamp "Filed" and return to the person delivering it to you.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

BRYDON, SWEARENGEN & ENGLAND P.C. By: Paul A. Boudreau

PAB/ccp Enclosures cc: All parties of record

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Transfer of Assets,) including much of Southern Union's gas) supply department to EnergyWorx, a wholly) owned subsidiary.)

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Case No. GO-2003-0354

MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

COMES NOW, Southern Union Company (d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.085, and requests that the Commission issue its customary protective order in the referenced case.

1. Southern Union Company requests a protective order in this case to facilitate the prompt exchange of information between Southern Union Company and the Commission's Staff. Southern Union Company anticipates that the Staff may submit data requests to the company requesting information that is non-public and may be related to business plans or practices.

2. None of the materials identified by Southern Union Company under the terms of the Commission's protective order as being highly confidential or proprietary will be materials that can be found in any format in any public document.

WHEREFORE, for good cause shown, Southern Union Company requests that the Commission issue its customary protective order in the captioned case.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was delivered by first class mail or by hand delivery, on this 13th day of August 2003 to the following:

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