

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Missouri Gas
Energy, a Division of Southern Union Company,
for a Variance from the Provisions of the Affiliate
Transaction Rule

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Case No. GE-2006-0301

ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE A RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: January 18, 2006

Effective Date: January 18, 2006

Missouri Gas Energy, a division of Southern Union Company, has filed an application for a variance from some of the provisions of the Commission's affiliate transaction rule. Before proceeding to consider this application, the Commission would like to have a recommendation from its Staff. Therefore, the Commission will direct Staff to file a recommendation by February 21. If Staff finds that it is unable to offer its recommendation by that date, it may, of course, request additional time.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Staff of the Commission shall file its recommendation regarding Missouri Gas Energy's application for variance by February 21, 2006.

2. That this order shall become effective on January 18, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', with a stylized, cursive script.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Morris L. Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 18th day of January, 2006.