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Mr. David Rauch
Executive Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
301 W. High Street
Jefferson City, MO 65102

Re: Case Number EM-96-149

Dear Mr. Rauch:

Please be advised that Illinois Power Company neither supports nor opposes the Stipulation and Agreement which has been submitted for the Commission's consideration in the above-referenced case. Illinois Power is not requesting a hearing and will waive its right to appeal in the event the Stipulation and Agreement is approved as submitted.

I appreciate your assistance in bringing this matter to the attention of the Commission. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

LATHROP & GAGE L.C.

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