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

In the Matter of Southern Missouri Gas	)	
Company, L.P.'s d/b/a Southern Missouri	)	
Natural Gas Purchased Gas Adjustment	)	Case No. GR-2009-0287
(PGA) Factors to be Reviewed in its 2007	)	Tariff No. JG-2009-0572
-2008 Actual Cost Adjustment	)	

## **ORDER APPROVING INTERIM RATES**

Issue Date: February 25, 2009 Effective Date: March 1, 2009

On February 6, 2009, Southern Missouri Natural Gas Company, L.P. (SMGC) filed a proposed tariff sheet with a proposed effective date of March 1, 2009. This PGA filing reflects changes to the purchased gas adjustment (PGA) factor as the result of estimated changes in the cost of natural gas for twelve months from March 2009 to February 2010.

The net effect of this change will decrease the Total PGA factor to \$0.7500 per hundred cubic feet (Ccf) from the Total PGA factor of \$0.9751 per Ccf currently in effect. The PGA factor is decreasing to \$0.7089 from \$0.9340, and the ACA factor is remaining at \$0.0411. This represents a decrease of \$0.2251 per Ccf.

The Commission's Staff filed its Memorandum and Recommendation on February 17, 2009. In its Memorandum and Recommendation, Staff recommends the Commission approve the decrease of the rates, in that any rate change at this time is subject to refund basis only. Staff notes that good cause has been shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, therefore, the Commission may permit the tariff to become effective on less than 10 days'

notice. Staff recommends that the rates be approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, and given expedited treatment.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariff sheet and Staff's Memorandum and Recommendation. The Commission finds that the rates on the proposed tariff sheet were calculated in conformance with the Company's Commission-approved PGA Clause. After considering Staff's recommendation, and for good cause shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, the Commission concludes that the proposed tariff sheet should be approved and expedited to become effective March 1, 2009, on an interim basis, subject to refund.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The proposed tariff sheet filed on February 6, 2009, by Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P. is approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, for service rendered on and after March 1, 2009. The specific tariff sheet approved is:

## P.S.C. MO. No. 1

25th Revised Sheet No. 27, Canceling 24th Revised Sheet No. 27

- 2. This order shall become effective on March 1, 2009.
- 3. This case may be closed March 2, 2009.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Colleen M. Dale, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February. 2009.