

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

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's Tariffs	)	
Increasing Rates for Gas Service Provided to	)	<b><u>Case No. GR-2006-0422</u></b>
Customers in the Company's Missouri Service	)	Tariff No. YG-2006-0845
Area	)	

**ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION TO INTERVENE**

Issue Date: July 28, 2006

Effective Date: July 28, 2006

**Background**

On May 12, 2006, the Missouri Public Service Commission issued a suspension order and notice in Missouri Gas Energy present rate case. Interested persons were directed to file applications to intervene by June 1, 2006. On July 11, 2006 the City of Kansas City filed an application to intervene.

The City states that it "is not a direct recipient of notices pertaining to rate relief filings by MGE." The City further states that although "a City department knew of MGE's present filing, by honest mistake and innocent inadvertence, the City did not timely authorize the filing of [its] request to intervene."

**Discussion**

Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.075 governs interventions. As required by this rule, the City has shown that it has an interest which is different from that of the general public in that the City is a major consumer of gas supplied by MGE. Additionally, the City administers a weatherization program in a civic partnership with MGE. Particularly, in this regard, the City states that its intervention will serve the public interest. The City, however,

has filed its application out of time. Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(5) states that applications to intervene filed out of time may be granted upon a showing of good cause. As discussed above, the City has made such a showing.

Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(15) states that unless otherwise ordered by the Commission, parties are allowed no more than ten days to file responsive pleadings. No party has responded to the City's application to intervene. Because the City has satisfied the requirements of the Commission rule on intervention and no party has responded to the City's application, the Commission will grant the requested relief.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. The City of Kansas City's application to intervene in this matter is granted.
2. This order shall become effective on July 28, 2006.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Kennard L. Jones, Regulatory  
Law Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 28th day of July, 2006.