

**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 Approval )  
to Change its Infrastructure System )  
Replacement Surcharge. )

**Case No. GO-2006-0201**

**STAFF MEMORANDUM**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), and for its Recommendation in this case states as follows:

1. On January 20, 2006, Missouri Gas Energy (MGE) filed its Motion For Expedited Treatment of its tariff filed in the above-captioned case on the same date. On January 20, 2006, the Commission issued its Order Directing Filing (Order) ordering the Staff to file its recommendation with regard to tariff number YG-2006-0559, or a statement indicating the earliest date it expects to be able to file a recommendation.

2. Good cause for expedited treatment of MGE's tariff is shown under Section 393.140(11) because accelerated consideration of MGE's tariff is contemplated under Section 393.1009, et seq.

3. In accordance with the Commission's Order, the Staff is filing its memorandum recommending approval of MGE's tariff number YG-2006-0559. Staff's memorandum is attached hereto as Appendix A and incorporated by reference herein.

**WHEREFORE**, for the reasons stated in Staff's attached memorandum, the Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order approving MGE's tariff number YG-2006-0559 and allowing the tariff to go into effect on January 29, 2006 as requested by MGE.

Respectfully submitted,

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File,  
Case No. GO-2006-0201, File No. YG-2006-0559, Missouri Gas Energy

FROM: Michael Ensrud, Tariffs/Rate Design - Energy

/s/ Tom Imhoff      01/24/06  
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/s/ Bob Berlin      01/24/06  
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SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation on the Tariff Sheets Filed in Compliance with Commission  
Order and MGE's Motion For Expedited Treatment

DATE: January 24, 2006

On January 20, 2006, Missouri Gas Energy (MGE), a division of Southern Union Company, filed a tariff sheet with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) with a proposed effective date of February 19, 2006. In addition, MGE filed a Motion For Expedited Treatment (Motion) relating to this filing on the same day. The Motion requested an effective date of January 29, 2006. On January 20, 2006, the Commission issued an ORDER DIRECTING FILING that directed the Staff to file its recommendation, or indicate a date that a recommendation could be filed on January 24, 2006.

This tariff sheet complies with the Commission's Order (Order) dated January 19, 2006, authorizing MGE to establish an Infrastructure System Replacement Surcharge (ISRS) sufficient to recover an annual pre-tax revenue of \$2,388,000 as computed by the Commission's Energy-Tariff/Rate Design Staff (Staff). The methodology used to generate this version ISRS rates is consistent with Staff's proposed methodology and past practice.

The Staff has reviewed MGE's tariff sheet and MGE's Motion. The Staff's analysis indicates that the tariff sheet was filed in compliance with the Commission's January 19 Order in this case. Staff raises no objection to the expedited effective date of January 29, 2006.

The Staff has verified that the Company has filed its annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. The Staff has reviewed this filing and is not aware of any issue currently pending before the Commission that affects, or is affected by, this filing. However, the following open cases involving this Company are before the Commission at this time:

Complaints              GC-2006-0066

Application             GO-2006-0201

PGA/ACA	GR-2003-0330	GR-2005-0104	GR-2005-0169	GR-2006-0291
	GR-2001-382	GR-98-167	GR-99-304	GR-200-425

Working Group        GW-2006-0110

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Rulemaking               GX-2006-0181

Waiver                    GE-2006-0301

Therefore, Staff recommends that the following tariff sheet, as filed on January 20, 2006, be allowed to go into effect on January 29, 2006, as requested by MGE:

P.S.C. MO. No. 1

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Fourth Revised SHEET No. 10, Canceling Third Revised SHEET No. 10

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