

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

In the Matter of the Summit Natural Gas of Missouri Inc.'s Filing of Revised Tariffs to Increase its Annual Revenues for Natural Gas Service)
) **Case No. GR-2014-0086**
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MISSOURI DIVISION OF ENERGY
APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW the Missouri Department of Economic Development – Division of Energy¹ (Division of Energy) and, pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075, respectfully requests that the Commission issue its order granting the Division of Energy's Application to Intervene. For its Application, the Division of Energy states as follows:

1. On January 2, 2014, Summit Natural Gas of Missouri Inc. (Summit) submitted to the Missouri Public Service Commission proposed tariff sheets to implement a general rate increase. On January 8, 2014 the Commission issued a Notice of Hearings and Order Setting Conference Date, Directing Notice of Action, and Governing Filings, and a Notice of Contested Case and Order Suspending Tariff and Delegating Authority. In its January 8, 2014 Order, the Commission established an intervention deadline of no later

¹ The Division of Energy was transferred from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to the Department of Economic Development (DED) on August 29, 2013 by Executive Order 13-03. The Executive Order transfers "[A]ll authority, powers, duties, functions, records, personnel, property, contracts, budgets, matters pending, and other pertinent vestiges of the Division of Energy from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to the Missouri Department of Economic Development..."

than January 28, 2014, and scheduled a prehearing conference on February 11, 2014.

2. The Division of Energy is a state agency vested with the powers and duties set forth in § 640.150 RSMo.

3. The Division of Energy has an interest different than that of the general public, and its intervention will serve a public interest in that the Division of Energy will be looking at the proposed filing from a formal policy and planning perspective. The Division of Energy's review also will be in relation to the mandate set forth in § 640.150 RSMo which includes planning for energy resource development; analyzing energy management issues; consulting and cooperating with all state and federal governmental agencies on matters of energy research and development, management, conservation and distribution; assessing the potential impacts on environmental quality; and analyzing the potential for increased use of energy alternatives and making recommendations for the expanded use of such alternate energy sources and technologies.

4. Communications, correspondence, orders and decision in this matter should be addressed to:

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5. The Division of Energy is uncertain at this time of the position it will take regarding the relief sought by Missouri Gas Energy in this case.

WHEREFORE, the Division of Energy respectfully requests that it be allowed to intervene in the above-styled matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been served electronically on all counsel of record this 27th day of January, 2014.

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