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**Re: UtiliCorp United Inc.
Case No. EM-2002-297**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

On behalf of UtiliCorp United Inc., enclosed for filing in the above-referenced case please find an original and eight (8) copies of a Motion for Protective Order. A copy has also been hand-delivered to the Office of the Public Counsel this date.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

BRYDON, SWEARENGEN & ENGLAND, P.C.

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Respectfully submitted,



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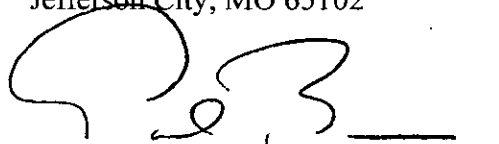
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