

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

In the matter of the application of Southern Union)
Company, d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy, for)
a certificate of public convenience and necessity)
authorizing it to construct, install, own, operate,) File No. _____
control, manage and maintain a natural gas)
distribution system to provide gas service in)
Newton County, Missouri, as an expansion of its)
existing certified area.)

APPLICATION

COMES NOW Southern Union Company, d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy (MGE or Applicant), by and through its counsel, and as its Application pursuant to §393.170, RSMo, 4 CSR 240-2.060 and 4 CSR 240-3.205, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity, respectfully states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission):

1. Southern Union Company is duly incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware and conducts business in Missouri under the fictitious name of Missouri Gas Energy. MGE’s principal office and place of business is located at 3420 Broadway, Kansas City, Missouri 64111. A copy of a certificate from the Missouri Secretary of State that Southern Union Company is authorized to do business in Missouri as a foreign corporation was submitted in Case No. GM-2003-0238 and is incorporated herein by reference. A copy of a certificate from the Missouri Secretary of State that Missouri Gas Energy is a registered fictitious name of Southern Union Company was submitted in Case No. GM-2003-0238 and is incorporated herein by reference.

2. Other than cases that have been docketed at the Commission, MGE has no pending action or final unsatisfied judgments against it from any state or federal agency or court within the

past three (3) years that involve customer service. MGE has no annual report or assessment fees that are overdue. MGE currently conducts business as a “gas corporation” and provides natural gas service to approximately 500,000 customers in the Missouri counties of Andrew, Barry, Barton, Bates, Buchanan, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Christian, Clay, Clinton, Dade, Dekalb, Greene, Henry, Howard, Jackson, Jasper, Johnson, Lafayette, Lawrence, McDonald, Moniteau, Pettis, Platte, Ray, Saline, Stone, and Vernon, subject to the jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commission as provided by law.

3. All correspondence, communications, notices, orders and decisions of the Commission with respect to this matter should be sent to the undersigned counsel and:

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4. With this application, MGE is requesting a certificate to provide natural gas service in Sections 13 and 24, Township 24 North, Range 32 West. MGE currently has facilities close by in Sections 11, 14, and 23 of Township 24 North, Range 32 West. Sections 13 and 24, Township 24 North, Range 32 West constitute an area within which MOARK, LLC, a farming operation, has requested service from MGE. In order to provide the service, it will be necessary for MGE to extend its distribution main 3,520 feet into the requested sections along with along with laying 730 feet of 4” PE service line to the customer.

5. Attached hereto and marked as **Appendix A** is a map of the proposed service area. MGE already has a certificate from the Commission to serve sections adjacent to the requested sections in Newton County.

6. The metes and bounds legal description of the proposed certificated area is as follows:

Sections 13 and 24, Township 24 North, Range 32 West in Newton County, Missouri.

7. Attached hereto and marked as **Appendix B HC** is a feasibility study and description of the plans and specifications for the project including the estimated cost of construction and estimated revenues during the first three years. A customer contribution will be required. No external financing is anticipated for construction related to this area. Construction methods will follow MGE's customary standards and the rules of the Commission.

8. Attached hereto and marked as **Appendix C** is a list of all seven landowners within Sections 13 and 24, Township 24 North, Range 32.

9. Applicant will not require any franchises or permits from municipalities, counties, or other authorities in connection with the proposed construction other than the usual and customary state highway, railroad and county road permits which will be obtained prior to construction.

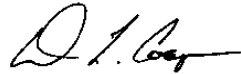
10. Applicant proposes to use its existing rates and regulations for natural gas service contained in its tariff, as the same may change from time to time pursuant to law, in serving the proposed area.

11. The area in which MGE is seeking to be certificated hereby is expected to develop and require natural gas service. Service from another natural gas supplier is not available at the present time. Since MGE the ability to provide service in this area by construction of additions to existing facilities, MGE believes that potential new customers should be afforded the opportunity to take service from MGE if they so desire, pursuant to MGE's extension rule. These facts support a finding that the granting of the application is required by the public convenience and necessity.

12. No gas transmission lines are required to be constructed as a part of this application.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests an order from the Commission granting it a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct, install, own, operate, control, manage, and maintain a system for the provision of natural gas service to the public pursuant to its approved rates, rules and regulations, in Sections 13 and 24, Township 24 North, Range 32 West in Newton County, Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,



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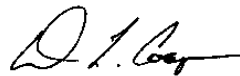
**ATTORNEYS FOR SOUTHERN UNION
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic mail to the following this 30th day of April, 2013:

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF MISSOURI)
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) ss
COUNTY OF JACKSON)

I, Michael R. Noack, of lawful age, state that I am Director of Pricing and Regulatory Affairs for Missouri Gas Energy, a division of Southern Union Company; that I have read the above and foregoing document; that the statements contained therein are true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge and belief; and, that I am authorized to make this statement on behalf of Missouri Gas Energy.


Michael R. Noack

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of April, 2013.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 2-22-15

