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 a variance from 4 CSR 240-13.050(3), and)	Case No. GE-2005-0247
MGE's tariffs, pertaining to permitted hours for)	YG-2005-0740
discontinuance of service.)	

MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT

COMES NOW Missouri Gas Energy, a division of Southern Union Company ("MGE" or "Applicant"), in accordance with Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(16), states the following to the Commission as MGE's Motion for Expedited Treatment:

On March 17, 2005 (effective March 27, 2005), the Commission issued its Order Granting Variance wherein the Commission granted MGE a requested variance concerning the hours during which MGE may discontinue service. The Commission also directed that MGE amend its tariff to include certain language reflecting the variance.

On March 21, 2005, MGE filed two tariff sheets reflecting the variance (4th Revised Sheet No. R-23 and 3rd Revised Sheet No. R-24). These tariff sheets carried a proposed effective date of April 20, 2005 (30 days) and were assigned tracking number YG-2005-0740.

The variance granted by the Commission primarily impacts MGE's ability to discontinue service beginning at sunrise, but no earlier than 7:00 a.m., in order to increase the likelihood that customers have the opportunity to pay prior to discontinuance.

The opportunities for such morning interaction will increase greatly with the start of daylight savings time on April 3, 2005. Accordingly, MGE seeks the Commission's order allowing the proposed tariff sheets to go into effect on Monday, April 4, 2005.

As stated in MGE's Application, MGE believes that the subject variance has been shown

to permit a greater number of customers to make payment and avoid discontinuance thereby producing benefits including: 1) fewer instances of service discontinuance; and, 2) greater cost-effectiveness of collection and service personnel. Thus, the grant of this Motion may have a positive benefit for MGE's customers by allowing the opportunity for these benefits to begin when a change in the clocks will make the variance most useful. The subject tariff sheets and this Motion have been filed as soon as possible after the issuance of the Commission's Order Granting Variance in this case.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, MGE respectfully requests the Commission to consider this Motion for Expedited Treatment and approve the proposed tariff sheets effective April 4, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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