

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

In the matter of Missouri Gas Energy's Tariffs)
to implement a General Rate Increase for)
Natural Gas Service.) Case No. GR-2009-0355

**INITIAL BRIEF OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI - KANSAS CITY,
THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL MISSOURI AND SUPERIOR BOWEN ASPHALT
COMPANY, L.L.C.**

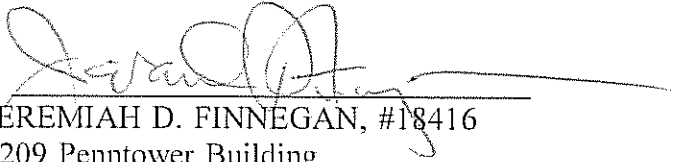
COMES NOW Intervenor: the University of Missouri - Kansas City ("UMKC"); the University of Central Missouri ("UCMO"); and Superior Bowen Asphalt Company, L.L.C. ("Superior Bowen"), by and through counsel, and for their Initial Brief state that they take no position on the contested issues in this case. However, Intervenor are signatories to the Partial Stipulation and Agreement filed on November 5, 2009 and fully support the settled issues in Paragraphs 3 (Class Cost of Service), 16 (Transportation Tariffs) and 18 (Rate Design). Intervenor do not oppose any other settled issue and did not request a hearing as to any issue addressed in such stipulation and agreement.

Intervenor wish to point out that all parties either signed on to the Partial Stipulation and Agreement except the City of Kansas City and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and those two parties each filed a pleading on November 6, 2009 in which they advised that they neither supported nor opposed the stipulation and agreement and specifically stated that they did not request a hearing on any issue settled therein. Thus, pursuant to Rule 4 CSR 240-2.115(2)(C), since no party requested a hearing, the Commission may treat the nonunanimous stipulation and agreement as a unanimous stipulation and agreement.

Intervenors respectfully urge the Commission to approve the Partial Stipulation and Agreement filed in this case on November 5, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

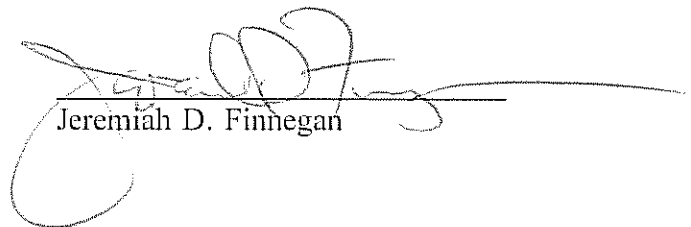
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Initial Brief was filed on EFIS and a copy sent by e-mail to all parties of record this 18th day of December, 2009.


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