BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Staff of the Missouri Public Service)
Commission,)
)
Complainant,)
)
v.) Case No. GC-2006
)
Missouri Pipeline Company, LLC and Missouri)
Gas Company)
Respondents.)

MOTION FOR PROTECTIVE ORDER

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.085 moves the Missouri Public Service Commission to issue its standard Protective Order in this case on the following grounds:

- 1. This case involves Staff's Complaint consisting of six counts alleging various tariff violations by Respondents.
- 2. Much of the information provided to Staff in the preliminary audit of these companies is stamped "Highly Confidential."
- 3. Staff anticipates that responses to additional data requests may likely include competitive pricing information, technical, financial or business information of a confidential or proprietary nature.
- 4. Disclosure by Staff of confidential information furnished by jurisdictional Companies is prohibited by §386.480 RSMo (2000).
- 5. Issuance of a protective order is expected to help to minimize discovery disputes, and has provided a sound method for submitting confidential information to the Commission.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests the Commission to issue its standard Protective

Order in this docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record this 21st day of June, 2006.

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