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Enclosed find certified copy of NOTICE in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)
UtiliCorp United Inc. and St. Joseph)
Light & Power Company for Authority to)
Merge St. Joseph Light & Power Company)
with and into UtiliCorp United Inc., and,)
in Connection Therewith, Certain Other)
Related Transactions.)

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NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY

On May 1, 2000, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) filed the rebuttal testimony of Anita C. Randolph, Robert T. Jackson, and Roger D. Colton. The cover sheet for the testimony indicated that it was filed in both case numbers EM-2000-292 (the UtiliCorp and St. Joseph Light & Power merger) and EM-2000-369 (the UtiliCorp and Empire District merger). 4 CSR 240-2.080(13) provides that "unless a case is consolidated, pleadings or briefs shall be filed with only one (1) case number and title thereon." Case numbers EM-2000-292 and EM-2000-369 have not been consolidated. Therefore, the rebuttal testimony filed by MDNR is not in compliance with the requirements of the Commission's regulation.

MDNR is notified that the rebuttal testimony of Roger D. Colton, Robert T. Jackson, and Anita C. Randolph will be accepted as filed only in case number EM-2000-292. If MDNR wishes to have this testimony

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considered in case number EM-2000-369, it may refile the testimony in that case.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized script.

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 3rd day of May, 2000.

Woodruff, Regulatory Law Judge

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

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 3rd day of May 2000.



Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge