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Dear Secretary Carnahan,

Re: 4 CSR 240-2.080 Pleadings, Filing, and Service

## CERTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

I do hereby certify that the attached is an accurate and complete copy of the order of rulemaking lawfully submitted by the Missouri Public Service Commission.

Statutory Authority: section 386.410, RSMo 2000

If there are any questions regarding the content of this order of rulemaking, please contact me at the address and number below.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

# Title 4 – DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Division 240 – Public Service Commission Chapter 2 – Practice and Procedure

## **ORDER OF RULEMAKING**

By the authority vested in the Missouri Public Service Commission under section 386.410, RSMo 2000, the commission amends a rule as follows:

## 4 CSR 240-2.080 is amended.

A notice of proposed rulemaking containing the text of the proposed amendments was published in the *Missouri Register* on April 15, 2011 (36 MoReg 1054). Those sections with changes are reprinted here. These proposed amendments become effective thirty (30) days after publication in the *Code of State Regulations*.

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS: A public hearing on the proposed amendments was held May 19, 2011, and the public comment period ended May 16, 2011. Two (2) written comments were received and one (1) comment was made at the public hearing.

COMMENT #1: Lewis Mills, on behalf of the Office of the Public Counsel, filed a written comment pointing out an error in section (9), italic font in subsection (14)(B) that appeared to be in error, and missing text under the heading "Methods of Service" in section (16).

RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: With regard to subsection (14)(B), that error was corrected before publication by the editors in the administrative rule division of the secretary of state's office. Likewise the text that was not included in the version sent for publication was added by the editors prior to publication. No changes to the rule text were made except to change the words "electronic mail" to "email." Thus, the Commission makes no change to section (9) or subsection (14)(B) as a result of this comment. The commission will correct the error in section (9) so that it refers to the "electronic filing and information system."

COMMENT #2: Rick Zucker, on behalf of Laclede Gas Company, and Wendy Tatro, on behalf of Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren Missouri, filed joint written comments and Mr. Zucker commented at the hearing. The commenters requested that section (9) be furthered clarified so that documents filed electronically will be deemed filed on the date received in the electronic filing and information system (EFIS) so long as the filing is made prior to midnight. RESPONSE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGE: Mr. Zucker and Ms. Tatro's interpretation of the date of filing is correct and the commission will further clarify section (9).

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(9) Any document's filing date shall be the date and time the document is physically or electronically stamped as filed by the secretary of the commission. Documents physically

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received in the commission's data center during regular business hours shall be stamped on the date received. Documents physically received in the commission's data center after regular business hours shall be stamped the next day that the commission has regular business hours. Documents submitted electronically to the commission's electronic filing and information system (EFIS) will be stamped filed on the date and time the document is received in EFIS and will be deemed filed on that date and time.