

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of an Investigation into the Status of)
Missouri's Natural Gas Local Distribution Companies') **Case No. GW-2006-0110**
Compliance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-40.018.)

ORDER TAKING NOTICE OF CERTAIN
CONTENTS OF THE RECORD OF
CASE NO. GR-2005-0279

Issue Date: October 20, 2005

Effective Date: October 20, 2005

On September 12, 2005, the Public Counsel filed his Motion to Open a New Case, wherein he prayed that the Commission would open a case for the purpose of investigating the status of natural gas utilities' compliance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-40.018, and take evidence on the record concerning that compliance. On September 27, the Commission granted Public Counsel's motion and established this case to investigate "the status of natural gas utilities' compliance with 4 CSR 240-40.018." All Missouri Local Distribution Companies (LDCs) – the companies that actually sell natural gas to consumers – were made parties to this case and a conference was convened on October 5 for the purpose of discussing how best to proceed.

Because the LDCs are already in the course of making presentations to the Commission regarding expected gas prices and hedging strategies for the upcoming winter heating season, it was agreed at the conference on October 5 that each LDC would file in this case the materials presented to the Commission. Several LDCs have already made

their filings. It was also agreed that Staff would file certain reports of earlier investigations and that has been done. It was also agreed that the record made in Case No. GR-2005-0279, concerning the recent PGA Tariff filed by Southern Missouri Gas Company, would be incorporated into the record of this matter.

For these reasons, the Commission will take notice and incorporate into the record of this proceeding certain items from the record of Case No. GR-2005-0279 as specified below. Those items designated either Proprietary or Highly Confidential in the record of Case No. GR-2005-0279 shall retain that designation in the record of this case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Commission hereby takes notice and incorporates into the record of this case items 6, 7, and 9-29 from the official docket sheet maintained in Case No. GR-2005-0279. Those items designated either Proprietary or Highly Confidential in the record of Case No. GR-2005-0279 shall retain that designation in the record of this case.

2. That the Commission's Data Center shall incorporate the above-listed items from the record of Case No. GR-2005-0279 into the record of this case, retaining in every instance the designation "Public," "Proprietary," or "Highly Confidential" as it appears in the record of Case No. GR-2005-0279.

3. That this order shall become effective on October 20, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief
Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation
of authority pursuant to Section 386.240,
RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 20th day of October, 2005.