BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

| Staff of the Missouri Public Service |) | |
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| Commission, |) | |
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| Complainant, |) | |
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| V. |) | Case No. GC-2006-0378 |
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| Missouri Pipeline Company, LLC; |) | |
| Missouri Gas Company, LLC; |) | |
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| Respondents. |) | |

RESPONDENTS' RESPONSE TO STAFF'S RESPONSE TO THE COMMISSION'S OCTOBER 5, 2006 ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSE

COME NOW Respondents Missouri Pipeline Company and Missouri Gas Company (hereafter "MPC" and "MGC") in the above-captioned matter and respond to *Staff's Response to the Commission's October 5, 2006 Order Directing Response* (hereafter "Staff's Motion").

In support of this motion, Respondents state as follows:

- 1. There is no need for the Commission to order Respondents to produce Mr. Dave Ries for deposition in this matter or direct Staff to file in circuit court to enforce the subpoena. As was previously offered several times, Respondents agree to make Mr. Dave Ries available for deposition on October, 17, 2006.
- 2. Mr Ries will bring all subpoenaed documents in his possession which have not already been provided to the deposition. However, Mr. Ries cannot physically produce documents which do not exist, cannot be found, or are not within his possession. Respondents have conveyed this fact to Staff on prior occasions.

WHEREFORE, Respondents respectfully request that this Commission order Staff to schedule Mr. Ries' deposition in this matter commencing at 9:00 a.m. on October 17, 2006, at the Missouri Public Service Commission's office in St. Louis, Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Respondents' Motion to Establish a Procedural Schedule, transmitted by e-mail or mailed, First Class, postage prepaid, this 11th day of October, 2006, to:

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