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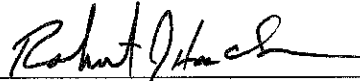
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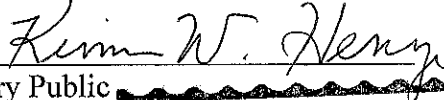
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I, Robert J. Hack, having been duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am an attorney for and Vice-President of Missouri Gas Energy, that I am duly authorized to make this affidavit on behalf of Missouri Gas Energy, and that the matters and things stated in the foregoing application are true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge and belief.



Robert J. Hack

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of February 2004.



Notary Public

My Commission expires: Feb. 3, 2007

