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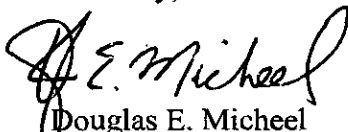
**RE: Southern Union Company,
Case No. GF-2000-504**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced case, please find the original and 14 copies of **Notice**. Please "file stamp" the extra enclosed copies and return them to this office. I have on this date mailed, faxed, or hand-delivered the appropriate number of copies to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Douglas E. Micheel
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cc: Counsel of record

Enclosure

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

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In the matter of the application of Southern)
Union Company for authority to acquire up)
to and including five percent (5%) of the)
common stock of Fall River Gs Company,)
Valley Resources, Inc., and Providence)
Energy Corporation.)

Case No. GF-2000-504

NOTICE

COMES NOW, the Office of the Public Counsel ("Public Counsel"), and in accordance with Missouri Public Service Commission's March 20, 2000 Notice Shortening Time in Which to Respond, states that Public Counsel supports the positions contained in the Memorandum of the Staff which was filed in this case on March 20, 2000.

WHEREFORE, Public Counsel requests the Commission grant Southern Union Company's Applications with the conditions set forth in the Staff Memorandum of March 20, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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