BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Staff of the Missouri Public Service)
Commission,)
)
Complainant,)
) <u>Case No. SC-99-134</u>
vs.)
)
Imperial Utility Corporation,)
)
Respondent.)

NOTICE EXTENDING TIME FOR RESPONSE

On October 2, 1998, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed a complaint against Imperial Utility Corporation (Respondent). On October 6, a Notice of Complaint was issued to Respondent which informed Respondent that an answer was required to satisfy the complaint within thirty days of the notice. The thirty day period expired on November 5.

The Commission received a letter on November 6 which purported to respond to the complaint. However, because letters are not acceptable pleadings and it was improperly filed, this was rejected by the Commission on November 9. The Respondent was given until November 25 to have an attorney file an acceptable response.

On November 19, Respondent fell into receivership and Patricia A. Fribis was appointed receiver. On November 25, attorney for the receiver filed an Entry of Appearance and

Request for Additional Time to Respond to Complaint. The Commission finds that the receiver, having only been appointed six days before the response was due, has not had adequate time to prepare and file a response. Therefore, the time for filing a response pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.070(8) is extended for three (3) weeks to December 16, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 1st day of December, 1998.

Gandhi, Regulatory Law Judge

