

In the matter of the application of Missouri Gas Utility, Inc., for a certificate of convenience and necessity authorizing it to construct, install, own, operate, control, manage and maintain a distribution system to provide gas service in Benton County, Missouri, as a new certificated area.)

**COMES NOW** Missouri Gas Utility, Inc. (MGU or Company), by and through its counsel, and, in response to the Staff Recommendation, states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission):

1. On June 16, 2009, the Commission Staff filed its recommendation suggesting that MGU be granted the certificate requested in this case, subject to certain conditions.
2. MGU has no objection to the Staff Recommendation and the identified conditions.

WHEREFORE, MGU requests an order from the Commission granting it a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct, install, own, operate, control, manage, and maintain a gas distribution system for the provision of natural gas service to the public pursuant to the proposed rates, and approved rules and regulations, in the Sections listed in its Application and Motion for Expedited Treatment.

Respectfully submitted,

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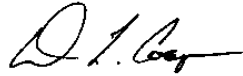
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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic mail to the following counsel this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2009:

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