

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy, a Division) of Southern Union Company, Regarding an Incident) Case No. GS-2000-62
Near 1204 Walnut in Kansas City, Missouri.

NOTICE OF CORRECTION AND ORDER DIRECTING RESPONSE

On December 20, 1999, an Order Directing Response was sent to the parties in this matter that incorrectly stated the case number and incorrectly referenced the assigned regulatory law judge. This Notice of Correction and Order Directing Response replaces that order.

On July 30, 1999, the Commission's Staff filed a Motion to Establish Docket. Staff states that Missouri Gas Energy, a Division of Southern Union Company (MGE) is a gas corporation subject to Commission jurisdiction under Sections 386.020(18) and 386.020(42), RSMo Supp. 1998. MGE provides natural gas service in Kansas City, Missouri. Staff states that on July 6, 1999, at approximately 3:10 p.m., a flash fire apparently resulted from the ignition of natural gas in a communications vault owned by Williams Communication near 1204 Walnut in Kansas City, Missouri. Staff requested that the Commission establish a case for the purpose of receiving information, including a gas incident report relating to the incident near 1204 Walnut, and for the purpose of ordering an appropriate response to the information.

On August 11, 1999, the Commission by order established this case and directed Staff to file its Incident Report within 120 days. On December 8, 1999, Staff filed its Motion to File Report and Order Response. Staff filed its Gas Incident Report as ordered with this motion, certifying that the Report had been served on MGE and on the Public Counsel. Staff prays that the Commission order MGE to respond to the report. The Commission shall adopt Staff's suggestion.

The Commission established this case to receive information relevant to the incident and to determine what, if any, action by the Commission is warranted. In its response, MGE shall address these issues. The Commission notes that the Public Counsel may also elect to respond to the Incident Report filed by Staff.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Missouri Gas Energy, a Division of Southern Union Company shall file its response to the Incident Report filed herein by Staff on or before January 24, 2000.

2. That this order shall become effective on December 30, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Keith Thornburg, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1), (November 30, 1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 20th day of December, 1999.