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RE: Case No. GR-99-392

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a **MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE RESPONSE**.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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In the Matter of Associated Natural Gas)
Company's Purchased Gas Adjustment)
Factors to be reviewed in its 1998-1999)
Actual Cost Adjustment.)

Case No. GR-99-392

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE RESPONSE

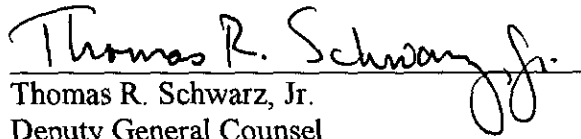
COMES NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"), and for its motion for extension of time states as follows:

1. Staff filed its Recommendation in this case on August 1, 2000. Associated Natural Gas Company ("ANG") filed its Response to the Staff's recommendation on September 8, 2000.
2. In its Response, Associated noted that Staff had recommended ANG undertake certain reporting requirements, and suggested that such reports might be better addressed by Atmos Energy Corporation, the current operator of ANG's former Missouri properties.
3. Staff is in the process of discussing this issue further with both ANG and Atmos. Staff requests that it be granted an extension of time, until October 18, 2000, to formulate its response in light of these ongoing discussions.
4. Because ANG and Staff agree that further action in this docket should await the results of judicial review of prior ANG ACA cases, this extension of time will prejudice no party.

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Respectfully submitted,

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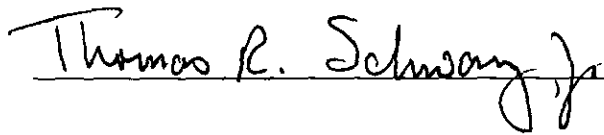


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