

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

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 natural)	Case No. GA-2010-0289
gas distribution system to provide gas service in)	
Pettis and Benton Counties, Missouri, as a new)	
certificated area.)	

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 natural)	Case No. GA-2010-0290
gas distribution system to provide gas service in)	
Pettis and Benton Counties, Missouri, as a new)	
certificated area.)	

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 natural)	Case No. GA-2010-0291
gas distribution system to provide gas service in)	
Pettis County, Missouri, as a new certificated)	
area.)	

MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE

COMES NOW Missouri Gas Utility, Inc. (MGU or Company) and, for its Motion to Consolidate, states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission):

1. On April 19, 2010, MGU filed the three applications for certificates of convenience and necessity captioned above. On April 20, 2010, the Commission issued its Order and Notice in each of the matters, setting an intervention deadline of May 10, 2010.
2. May 10, 2010, has since passed and no party has sought intervention in any of the above-captioned matters.
3. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.110(3) states that “[w]hen pending actions involve related questions of law or fact, the commission may order a joint hearing of any or all

the matters at issue, and may make other orders concerning cases before it to avoid unnecessary costs or delay.” The Commission has previously stated that Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.110(3) allows the Commission to consolidate pending actions involving related questions of law or fact. *See In the Matter of Highway H Utilities, Inc.*, Order Consolidating Cases, Case No. WA-2009-0316, 2009 Mo. PSC LEXIS 431 (May 19, 2009).

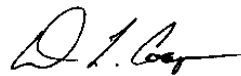
4. The three above-captioned files all concern requests for certificates of convenience and necessity related to MGU’s Warsaw expansion. Because there are no interveners in any of these matters, the Staff’s analysis of the Applications will involve related questions of law and fact.

5. MGU suggests that consolidation of the three cases would further judicial economy and avoid unnecessary costs or delay. For example, taking this step would allow the Commission Staff to prepare and file a single recommendation and memorandum.

6. Staff counsel has indicated that Staff supports the proposed consolidation.

WHEREFORE, MGU respectfully requests that the Commission consolidate Files No. GA-2010-0289, GA-2010-0290 and GA-2010-0291, with GA-2010-0289 being the lead matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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