

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

In the matter of the application of Summit Natural Gas of Missouri, 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, Morgan, Camden and Miller Counties in Missouri, as a certificated area.)
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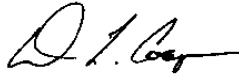
SNGMO'S RESPONSE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW Summit Natural Gas of Missouri, Inc., and, for its Response to Staff Recommendation, states to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) as follows:

1. On June 1, 2012, the Commission Staff filed its Recommendation in this matter. That Recommendation suggested that SNGMO be granted its requested certificate, subject to certain listed conditions.
2. SNGMO hereby states that it has no objection to the conditions outlined in the Staff Recommendation subject to the following clarification/understanding developed through its discussion with Staff personnel:
 - Staff's proposed Condition 12 states that "SNGMO shall not file a rate increase request for this service territory until after 42 months of the effective date of the commission order granting the CCN in this proceeding." It is SNGMO's understanding that this condition does not purport to prohibit SNGMO from filing a rate case, if otherwise authorized, during the identified 42 month period. Instead, it purports to prohibit SNGMO from filing tariff sheet(s) as a part of any such rate case that would propose a rate increase for the Lake Ozark service territory during that period of time.

WHEREFORE, SNGMO requests the Commission consider the above response and issue such orders as it should believe to be reasonable and just.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been sent by electronic mail this 4th day of June, 2012, to:

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