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

In the Matter of the filing of Tri-States     ) Case No. WE-2000-827  
Utility, Inc.'s Annual Report.                 )

**ORDER GRANTING LEAVE TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT OUT OF TIME**

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-10.080(1), "[a]ll public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file an annual report with the commission on or before April 15 of each year."

On June 19, 2000, Tri-States Utility, Inc. ("Tri-States"), filed a motion with the Commission requesting permission to file its 1999 annual report out of time. Tri-States stated that it was unable to file its report timely due to inadvertent difficulties meeting the filing time. Specifically, Tri-States stated that its accountant had been delayed in completing the company's tax returns, which had to be completed to obtain certain information necessary for the company's annual report. No objections to Tri-States's motion were received.

The Commission finds that good cause exists to permit filing of Tri-States's annual report out of time, and the Commission will grant Tri-States's motion for leave to file its annual report out of time.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That Tri-States Utility, Inc.'s June 19, 2000, motion requesting permission to file its annual report out of time is granted, and the annual report deadline requirement of 4 CSR 240-10.080 is waived and

the filing of Tri-States Utility, Inc.'s, annual report on June 19, 2000,  
is approved.

2. That this order shall become effective on July 13, 2000.
3. That this case may be closed on July 14, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts  
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

( S E A L )

Keith Thornburg, Regulatory Law  
Judge, by delegation of authority  
pursuant to Section 386.240,  
RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 13th day of July, 2000.