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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Associated Natural Gas	)	<u>Case No. GT-2000-424</u>
Company's Tariff Filing to Terminate	)	Tariff File No. 200000632
Court-Ordered Take-or-Pay Factors	)	

**ORDER APPROVING TARIFFS**

On January 14, 2000, Associated Natural Gas Company (ANG) filed a revised tariff sheet to terminate recovery through the Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) of certain Take-or-Pay (TOP) costs. Recovery of these costs was authorized by the Cole County Circuit Court in Case No. CV195-1071cc. In the cover letter accompanying its tariff filing, ANG states that it is requesting approval of its tariff filing on February 1, 2000, to avoid over-recovery of these TOP costs. The tariff sheet bears an effective date of February 14, 2000.

On January 24, 2000, Staff filed its memorandum. Staff states that it has reviewed the tariff filing and determined that the termination of these TOP factors is reasonable. Staff also states that good cause exists to approve the tariff on less than thirty days' notice. Staff recommends the Commission approve the tariff to be effective, interim subject to refund, for service rendered on and after February 1, 2000. The Commission has reviewed the tariff filing and the Staff memorandum and has determined the filing to be in the public interest. The

Commission also finds that good cause exists to approve the tariff with less than thirty days' notice.

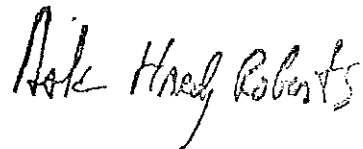
**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the following tariff sheets filed January 14, 2000, by Associated Natural Gas Company and assigned Tariff File No. 200000632, are hereby approved as substituted, interim subject to refund, for service on or after February 1, 2000:

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2. That this order shall become effective on January 31, 2000.
3. That this case may be closed on February 1, 2000.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



**Dale Hardy Roberts**  
**Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

( S E A L )

Lewis R. Mills, Jr., Deputy Chief 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 28th day of January, 2000.