

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
April 15, 1999**

CASE NO: GR-99-435

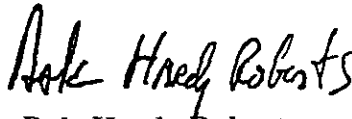
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Enclosed find certified copy of ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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

Uncertified Copy:

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

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| In the matter of Missouri Public Service's |) | |
| Tariff Revisions To Be Reviewed In Its |) | Case No. GR-99-435 |
| 1998-1999 Actual Cost Adjustment. |) | |

ORDER APPROVING INTERIM RATES

Missouri Public Service (MPS or Company) of Kansas City, Missouri, submitted tariff sheets to the Commission on April 2, 1999, carrying an effective date of April 16, 1999. The tariff sheets were filed to reflect scheduled changes in MPS's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as the result of changes in the cost of natural gas for the upcoming summer season. The summer season includes the months of April through October.

The effect of the change for the area served by the Southern System will decrease the firm PGA factor for the summer season to \$0.21539 per Ccf from a winter season firm PGA factor of \$0.27386 per Ccf. This represents an approximate decrease of 21% to consumers.

The effect of the change for the area served by the Northern System will decrease the firm PGA factor for the summer season to \$0.25882 per Ccf from a winter season firm PGA factor of \$0.30414 per Ccf. This represents an approximate decrease of 15% to consumers.

The effect of the change for the area served by the Eastern System will decrease the firm PGA factor for the summer season to \$0.43761 per Ccf from a winter season firm PGA factor of \$0.51261 per Ccf. This represents an approximate decrease of 15% to consumers.

3.

The Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a memorandum stating that the changes in MPS's PGA were calculated in conformance with the Company's approved PGA Clause and recommends that the Commission approve the tariff sheets to become effective on April 16, 1999. Staff stated that MPS's PGA Clause allows for ten (10) business days notice for filings reflecting PGA changes. Staff recommends that the Commission approve the tariff sheets to become effective April 16, 1999, on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in MPS's Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) Case Nos. GR-97-298, GR-98-421, and GR-99-435.

The Commission has reviewed the tariff sheets and Staff's recommendation, and finds that the tariff sheets conform to the Company's Commission approved PGA Clause and are therefore reasonable. After considering Staff's recommendation, and for good cause shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 1994, the Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheets should be approved to become effective on and after the requested effective date of April 16, 1999, interim subject to refund.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the tariff sheets submitted on April 2, 1999, by Missouri Public Service of Kansas City, Missouri, are approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, to become effective on April 16, 1999. The tariff sheets approved are:

P.S.C. MO. No. 5

16th Revised SHEET NO. 43 Cancelling 15th Revised SHEET NO. 43

19th Revised SHEET NO. 44 Cancelling 18th Revised SHEET NO. 44

9th Revised SHEET NO. 44.1 Cancelling 8th Revised SHEET NO. 44.1

2. That this order shall become effective on April 16, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Morris L. Woodruff, 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 15th day of April, 1999.

ALJ/Sec'y: Woodruff
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Lumpke, Chair
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Crumpton, Commissioner
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Murray, Commissioner
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Schemenauer, Commissioner
absent
Drainer, Vice-Chair

by Delegation
Agenda Date

Action taken: _____

Must Vote Not Later Than _____

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

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson
City,

Missouri, this 15TH day of APRIL, 1999.



Dale Hardy Roberts

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