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CASE NO: GR-99-304

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

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's Purchased Gas Adjustment Factors to be Reviewed in Its 1998-1999 Actual Cost Adjustment.

Case No. GR-99-304

ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE

This case is one of several that have been held in abeyance pending the resolution of a related case, Case No. GR-96-450. The Commission issued its Report and Order in that case on March 12, 2002. Therefore, this matter is now at issue and a prehearing conference is appropriate to ensure its prompt resolution. This prehearing conference shall be held jointly with conferences in the other cases that were held in abeyance pending resolution of Case No. GR-96-450.

At the prehearing conference, the parties or their representatives should be prepared to discuss the nature of any discovery each will conduct and the interval necessary for its completion; the number of witnesses each expects to call at hearing; the number and nature of any exhibits each expects to offer at hearing; and the anticipated length of the hearing. The parties or their representatives should also be prepared to discuss the current status of settlement negotiations. It is expected that the prehearing conference will provide an opportunity for the parties to further pursue settlement discussions.

At the prehearing conference, it will be determined whether the parties shall jointly file a proposed procedural schedule. If so, the proposed procedural schedule shall establish dates for the filing of a list of the issues to be determined by the

Commission and statements by the parties of their position on each such issue. The proposed procedural schedule shall also include a date for the filing of a list of the witnesses to be called on each day of hearing, the order in which they shall appear and the order of cross-examination agreed upon by the parties. The proposed procedural schedule shall also establish dates for the hearing of this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That a prehearing conference shall be held on April 24, 2002, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The prehearing conference shall be held at the Commission's offices at the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, Room 305. The Governor Office Building is a facility that meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs additional accommodations to participate in the prehearing conference should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or 1-800-829-7541 (TDD) prior to the prehearing conference.
 - That this order shall become effective on April 13, 2002. 2.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 3rd day of April, 2002.

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 3^{rd} day of April 2002.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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