

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY**

August 20, 2001

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, slightly slanted style.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri Public Services' Purchased)	
Gas Adjustment Factors to be Audited in its 1998-1999)	<u>Case No. GR-99-435</u>
Actual Cost Adjustment)	

ORDER GRANTING STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF
REPORT FILING DATE

This case concerns the 1998-1999 Purchased Gas Adjustment and the Actual Cost Adjustment filings of Missouri Public Service, a division of UtiliCorp United Inc. No procedural schedule for consideration of these matters is currently in place because Staff has requested additional time to complete an investigation into UtiliCorp's gas purchasing practices. In a status report filed on June 6, 2001, Staff stated its intention to file its final recommendation on August 31, 2001. On June 11, the Commission acknowledged the filing of Staff's status report, but did not order Staff to file its final recommendation by any certain date.

On August 9, 2001, Staff filed a Request for Extension of Report Filing Date. Staff indicated that it has not yet completed its investigation and requested that it be allowed until September 30, 2001, to file its Recommendation. On August 16, UtiliCorp filed a response to Staff's request in which it indicated no objection to Staff's requested extension of time but expressed the desire that this matter soon progress to a conclusion.

The Commission will grant Staff's request for additional time. However, in order that this matter may be brought to a conclusion, the Commission will direct Staff to file its recommendation on or before September 30, 2001.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Staff's Request for Extension of Report Filing Date is granted.
2. That the Staff shall file its Recommendation no later than September 30, 2001.
3. That this order shall become effective on August 30, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Morris L. Woodruff, Senior Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

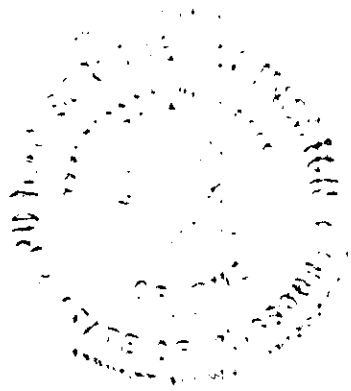
Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 20th day of August, 2001.

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 20th day of August 2001.



Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge