

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
January 31, 2002**

CASE NO: EM-2002-297

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Enclosed find certified copy of an Second 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 the Application of UtiliCorp)
United Inc., a Delaware Corporation, for)
Authority to Merge to Effect a Name Change)

Case No. EM-2002-297

SECOND ORDER DIRECTING FILING

This order directs the Staff of the Missouri Public Commission to file its recommendation in this case.

On January 30, 2002, the Staff filed a status report. Staff stated, *inter alia*, that it is prepared to provide the Commission with a recommendation on the merger between UtiliCorp United Inc. and UtiliCorp Renaming Corporation.

Staff will be ordered to file its recommendation.

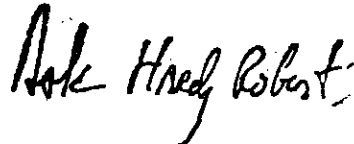
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission must file its recommendation in this case by February 4, 2002.
2. That any other party may, but is not required to, file a response to Staff's pleading by February 5, 2002.
3. That all pleadings must be filed in paper form. After the paper copies of the pleadings are properly filed, however, all parties are also encouraged to file copies of their pleadings electronically. Electronically-submitted documents may be provided on computer disk or submitted by e-mail to the law judge at bhopkins@mail.state.mo.us in a file saved in Word, WordPerfect, or ASCII format with an extension of *.doc, *.wpd, or *.txt. (Copies of

exhibits, attachments, schedules, etc., need not be sent electronically; only pleadings should be sent electronically.)

4. That this order will become effective on January 31, 2002.

BY THE COMMISSION



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

(S E A L)

Bill Hopkins, Senior Law Judge,
by delegation of authority under
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 31st day of January, 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 31st day of Jan. 2002 .

Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

