PROMISSORY NOTE (2008 LETTER OF CREDIT)

Appendix 8

\$4,760,212.00 Denver, Colorado August 7, 2008

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned, **MISSOURI GAS UTILITY, INC.** a Colorado corporation (the "Company"), promises to pay ON DEMAND to **U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**, a national banking association (the "Bank"), the principal sum of Four Million Seven Hundred Sixty Thousand Two Hundred Twelve and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (U.S. \$4,760,212.00) or such lesser amount as the Bank has paid to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Trustee, pursuant to Letter of Credit No. ______ dated as of ______, 2008, for which the Bank has not been reimbursed by the Company pursuant to the Reimbursement Agreement, as defined below, together with interest on the unpaid principal balance from time-to-time outstanding at the Overdue Rate (as defined in the Reimbursement Agreement). Interest shall be computed for actual days elapsed on the basis of a 365-day year.

Payments of both principal and interest are to be made in accordance with Section 2 of the Reimbursement Agreement. Such payments are to be made in immediately available funds in lawful currency of the United States of America at the principal office of the Bank, or such other place as the holder of this Note shall designate to the Company in writing.

The Company agrees to pay all costs, expenses and fees, including all reasonable attorneys' fees, which may be incurred by the Bank in enforcing or attempting to enforce this Note or in collecting or attempting to collect the payments due hereunder, whether the same shall be enforced by suit or otherwise.

The Company waives demand, presentment, protest and notice of nonpayment and protest.

If any provision in this Note shall be held invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, the validity, legality or enforceability of any defective provision shall not be in any way affected or impaired in any other jurisdiction.

No delay or failure of the holder of this Note in the exercise of any right or remedy provided for hereunder shall be deemed a waiver of such right by the holder hereof, and no exercise of any right or remedy shall be deemed a waiver of any other right or remedy which the holder may have.

All notices given hereunder sh Reimbursement Agreement.	all be given in accordance with the notice provisions of the
	MISSOURI GAS UTILITY, INC., a Colorado corporation
	By Michael P. Earnest, President

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