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CASE NO: 00-99-44

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

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 8th day of April, 1999.

In the Matter of the Assessment Against)	
the Public Utilities in the State of)	
Missouri for the Expenses of the)	CASE NO. 00-99-44
Commission for the Fiscal Year Commencing)	
July 1, 1998.)	

ORDER GRANTING STAFF'S MOTION TO REVISE PUBLIC UTILITY ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999

On February 10, 1999, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed its Motion To Revise Public Utility Assessments For Fiscal Year 1999. Staff's motion comes as a result of the Commission's order in which it directed the Staff to recalculate the public utility assessments for fiscal year 1999 omitting the five-year averaging process and also omitting an amount of \$534,114 which was identified in the Report And Order as an Article X transfer.

On January 15 the Empire District Electric Company and UtiliCorp United Inc., d/b/a Missouri Public Service, filed a joint application for rehearing and stay. That application for rehearing was denied on February 17. More than thirty days have passed since the issuance of that order and no further action has been requested from the Commission nor has any party sought judicial review. Therefore, this matter may now proceed.

Attached to Staff's motion was 73 page attachment which set out in detail the increases or decreases for the affected utility companies which will take place as a result of the recalculation. No party has filed a response to the Staff's motion and the Commission has determined that Staff's recalculation complies with the directions set out in the Report And Order. Therefore, the Commission will approve Staff's motion.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the Missouri Public Service Commission Staff's Motion
 To Revise Public Utility Assessments For Fiscal Year 1999 is granted.
- 2. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission is directed to bill or refund the difference to each affected company according to the Staff's recalculated assessments for fiscal year 1999.
 - 3. That this order shall be effective on April 8, 1999.
 - That this case may be closed on May 10, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

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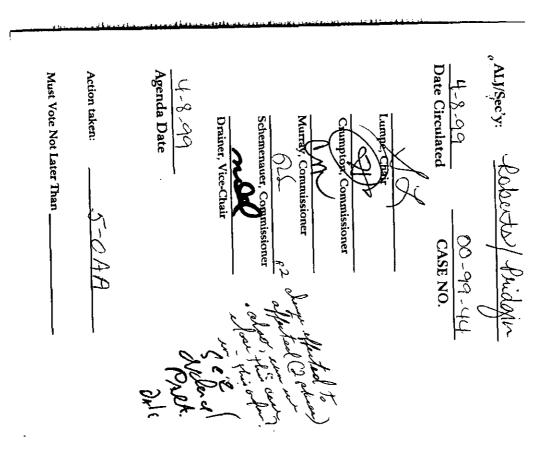
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Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Murray, Schemenauer, and Drainer, CC., Concur.

Roberts, Chief Regulatory Law Judge



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 8TH day of APRIL, 1999.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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