STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1999.

In the matter of United Cities Gas Company's )
Tariff revision designed to be reviewed in )
its 1998-1999 Actual Cost Adjustment for the )
Missouri service area of the Company.

Case No. GR-99-280

## ORDER APPROVING INTERIM HANNIBAL-CANTON DISTRICT RATES

United Cities Gas Company (United) of Franklin, Tennessee, submitted a tariff sheet to the Commission on January 26, 1999, carrying an effective date of March 1, 1999. On January 29, 1999, United filed a substitute tariff sheet to correct a typographical error. The tariff sheet is designed to change the Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factor for its Hannibal-Canton District as a result of a decrease in the spot market cost of gas. This change will decrease United's annualized revenues by approximately \$499,600. The impact on a typical residential space-heating customer using 159 Ccf of natural gas in the month of March will be a decrease of \$4.56, or 5.3%.

The Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a memorandum stating that the change in United's PGA was calculated in conformance with its approved PGA Clause and recommends that the Commission approve the tariff sheet to become effective on March 1, 1999. Staff recommends that the tariff sheet be approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, until the Commission makes its final determinations in Case Nos. GR-98-274 and GR-99-280.

The Commission has reviewed the tariff sheet and Staff's recommendation, and finds that the proposed tariff sheet conforms to United's Commission-approved PGA Clause and is therefore reasonable. After

considering Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheet, as substituted, should be approved to become effective on and after the requested effective date of March 1, 1999, interim subject to refund.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the tariff sheet submitted on January 26, 1999, as substituted on January 29, 1999, by United Cities Gas Company of Franklin, Tennessee, for the purpose of reflecting changes in rates for natural gas in its Hannibal-Canton District, is approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, to become effective on March 1, 1999. The tariff sheet approved is:

P.S.C. MO. No. 3
76th Revised SHEET No. 46, Cancelling 75th Revised SHEET No. 46

2. That this order shall become effective March 1, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, and Drainer, CC., concur. Murray and Schemenauer, CC., absent.

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