



STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY February 14, 2002

CASE NO: 00-2002-202

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

Sincerely,

Ask Hredy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

### STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 14th day of February, 2002.

In the Matter of an Investigation into Public Utility Emergency Preparedness

Case No. 00-2002-202

# ORDER ACCEPTING REPORT OF THE UTILITY COMMITTEE OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI SECURITY PANEL

On February 8, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed a motion requesting the Commission to accept the Utility Committee Final Report for the Missouri Security Panel for filing in this case. The Commission was represented on the Utility Committee and participated in the preparation of the report.

The Utility Committee had four major goals. One, to identify and assess critical utility related assets for safeguarding management; two, to identify the best practices as they relate to deterring, preventing and responding to a terrorist threat or incident; three, those issues, which might require action by the Missouri General Assembly; four, to identify any type of state, local or federal regulation that might hamper or prevent the implementation of various recommendations.

This case was established to address the state of preparedness of Missouri utilities to respond to natural or manmade disasters and to consider preventive or protective measures. The Commission has found that there is a continuous need to disseminate information and to review procedures and prepare responses for natural and man-made disasters that affect Missouri utilities and their customers in meeting essential needs for energy, communications, water and sanitary services critical to the health, welfare and safety of citizens and vital to economic development and performance.

The Commission has reviewed the report. Adding this report to the record in this case will assist the Commission, the Staff and Missouri utilities in identifying the practices, issues or matters that present the highest priority to mitigate or deter threats to public utility operations and services presented by terrorist activities.

Staff noted that it would file an updated report regarding a prior filing by the Staff and regarding a survey sent to utilities. Under the Commission's order issue January 24, 2002, a follow-up Staff report is due not later than May 24, 2002.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Staff's motion is granted and the Utility Committee Final Report to the Missouri Security Panel shall be accepted and incorporated into the record in this case.

2. That this order shall become effective on February 24, 2002.

### BY THE COMMISSION

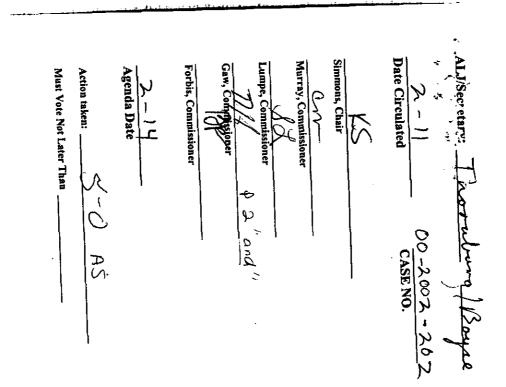
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Simmons, Ch., Murray, Lumpe, Gaw and Forbis, CC., concur

Thornburg, 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  $\underline{14^{th}}$  day of Feb. 2002 .

Hok Hredy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

