

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
August 3, 2000**

CASE NO: GR-2000-288

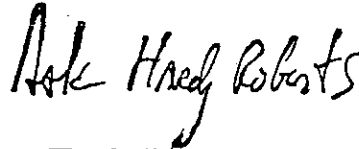
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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

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

Uncertified Copy:

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Southern Missouri Gas)	
Company, L.P.'s Purchased Gas Adjustment)	<u>Case No. GR-2000-288</u>
Factors to be Reviewed in its 1998-1999)	
Actual Cost Adjustment.)	

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

On August 1, 2000, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed its Memorandum and Recommendation with respect to the Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) for 1998-1999 filed by Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P. (Southern), on October 5, 1999. Therein, Staff states that, after an audit and review, it has proposed significant adjustments.

In order that this matter may progress promptly to resolution, the Commission will direct Southern to file a response to Staff's Memorandum and Recommendation.

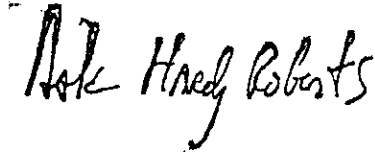
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P., shall, on or before September 1, 2000, file its response to the Memorandum and Recommendation filed herein by the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission on August 1, 2000.

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3. That this Order shall become effective on August 15, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief
Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation
of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 3rd day of August, 2000.

**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 3rd day of Aug. 2000.



Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge