STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY May 18, 2000

CASE NO: GE-2000-737

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

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Filing of Fidelity) Case No. GE-2000-737 Natural Gas Company's Annual Report.

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION AND LEAVE TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT OUT OF TIME

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-10.080(1), "[a]11 public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file an annual report with the commission on or before April 15 of each year."

On May 4, 2000, Fidelity Natural Gas Company ("Fidelity") filed a motion with the Commission requesting a filing extension and permission to file their 1999 annual reports out of time. Fidelity stated that it was unable to file the reports timely due to inadvertent accounting difficulties to complete the reports and meet the filing time. Fidelity requested an extension until May 31, 2000, to file its annual report. No objections to Fidelity's motion were received.

The Commission finds that good cause exists to permit filing of Fidelity's annual reports out of time, and the Commission will grant Fidelity's motion for an extension and permission to file the annual reports out of time.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Fidelity Natural Gas Company's May 4, 2000, motion requesting permission to file its annual report out of time is granted, and

the annual report deadline requirement of 4 CSR 240-10.080 is waived so that the company may file its annual report no later than May 31, 2000.

2. That this order shall become effective on May 30, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Keith Thornburg, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1), (November 30, 1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 18th day of May, 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 18th day of May 2000.

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Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge