BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc.'s)
Tariff Revision to be Reviewed in Its 1997-1998) Case No. GR-99-160
Actual Cost Adjustment.)

ORDER CLOSING CASE

This case was established to track the Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) changes to be reviewed in Fidelity Gas Company's (Fidelity) 1997-1998 Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) filing.

On June 24, 1999, the Procurement Analysis Department of the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a memorandum indicating that Staff has reviewed the 1997-1998 ACA filing of Fidelity. Staff stated that it audited the bill revenues and actual gas costs for the period of September 1997 through August 1998. Staff further stated that based upon its review, no adjustments to the ACA balances were necessary. Staff states, "[t]he ACA balance in the company's 1997-1998 ACA filing is \$17,613 over-recovery balance."

On August 2, 1999, the Commission ordered the company to respond to Staff's recommendation no later than September 1, 1999. On August 16, 1999, the company filed a Response to Staff Recommendation and indicated that it agrees with the Staff's recommendation. Fidelity stated that Staff's recommendation was "acceptable . . . and should be implemented."

The Commission has reviewed the memorandum filed by Staff, the response filed by Fidelity, and the entirety of the file. The

Commission determines that the ending balance shown in the Staff recommendation is reasonable and should be approved. The Commission further determines that this case should be closed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That Fidelity Gas Company shall establish Actual Cost Adjustment account balance in its next Actual Cost Adjustment filing to reflect a \$17,613 overrecovery balance.
 - 2. That this order shall become effective on August 31, 1999.
 - 3. That this case may be closed on September 1, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Nancy Dippell, Senior 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 20th day of August, 1999.

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