

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 25th
day of April, 1995.

In the matter of tariffs filed by)	
St. Joseph Light & Power Company to)	
reflect rate changes to be reviewed)	<u>Case No. GR-94-91</u>
in Company's 1993-1994 Actual Cost)	
Adjustment.)	

ORDER APPROVING ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENTS

This docket was initiated as the result of the 1993-94 actual cost adjustment filing made by St. Joseph Light and Power Company (SJLP). An audit of this filing was conducted by the Staff of the Commission, consisting of an evaluation of the billed revenues and gas costs of the Company for the period of May 1, 1993 through April 30, 1994.

The Staff filed its recommendation on March 1, 1995. As a result of its analysis, the Staff made the following recommendations:

1. Establish the balance in the Company's ACA Account as of April 30, 1994, as an over-recovery of \$78,808.75;
2. File revised tariffs to provide that the effective date for implementing proposed ACA factors be changed from the billing month of June to July;
3. Establish the balance in the Company's TOP account as of April 30, 1994, as an over-recovery of \$18,648.04;
4. Consolidate the remaining balance in the Company's TOP Account with the TC Account effective with the Company's 1994-1995 ACA filing;

5. Establish the balance in the Company's TC Account as of April 30, 1994, as an over-recovery of \$74,268.52. The stated balance in the TC Account as of April 30, 1994, assumes consolidating the remaining balance in the TOP Account with the TC Account effective with the Company's 1994-1995 ACA filing (55,620.48 + 18,648.04);
6. File a response within 20 days indicating the Company's agreement or disagreement with the Staff recommendations contained herein; and
7. Require that the balances included herein be made permanent and that Case No. GR-94-91 be closed upon receipt of the Company's response indicating agreement with the recommendations contained herein.

On March 27, 1995, SJLP filed its response to the Staff recommendation. In that response, SJLP concurred with recommendation nos. 1, 3, 5, and 7, and remarked that no. 6 was moot. In regard to recommendation nos. 2 and 4, SJLP noted:

"3. As to recommendation number 2, SJLP agrees that tariffs should be filed to change the date for implementing the proposed ACA factors. SJLP will be submitting a proposed tariff with a 30-day effective date to accomplish this in the near future, and therefore believes no further action needs to take place in this docket with respect to that item.

4. As to recommendation number 4, SJLP agrees to consolidate the remaining balance in the TOP account with the TC account effective with SJLP's 1994-1995 ACA filing. This will be a consolidation of the balances only. SJLP desires to retain the tariff language regarding TOP in the event future charges occur. SJLP will therefore show the future balance and recovery factor as zero after making the recommended change, and it will remain at zero until SJLP is billed additional TOP charges."

The Staff was given the opportunity to file any comments it might have to the SJLP response, but filed no further comments.

The Commission has considered the recommendations of the Staff, as agreed to by SJLP and modified in its response, and finds them to be reasonable. The Commission will, therefore, order the Staff recommendations, as modified, to be implemented.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the balance of the St. Joseph Light and Power Company's actual cost adjustment account, as of April 30, 1994, consists of an over-recovery of \$78,808.75.

2. That the balance of the St. Joseph Light and Power Company's take-or-pay account, as of April 30, 1994, consists of an over-recovery of \$18,648.04.

3. That the remaining balance in the St. Joseph Light and Power Company's take-or-pay account will be consolidated with the transition cost account, effective with St. Joseph Light and Power's 1994-95 actual cost adjustment filing. This will consist of consolidation of balances only and St. Joseph Light and Power will retain the tariff language regarding take-or-pay, showing the future balance and recovery factor as zero, and remaining so unless and until St. Joseph Light and Power is billed additional take-or-pay charges.

4. That the balance of St. Joseph Light and Power's transition account, as of April 30, 1994, consists of an over-recovery of \$74,268.52.

5. That the above balances are hereby made permanent and this docket is closed.

6. That this order shall become effective on May 5, 1995.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "David L. Rauch".

David L. Rauch
Executive Secretary

(S E A L)

Mueller, Chm., Perkins,
Kincheloe and Crumpton, CC., Concur.
McClure, C., Absent.