

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of a tariff filed by St. Joseph Light & Power Company to reflect changes in rates to be reviewed in the Company's 1989-1990 Actual Cost Adjustment.) Case No. GR-90-84)

In the matter of St. Joseph Light & Power Company for authority to file tariffs to implement changes in the Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause for recovery of Take-or-Pay charges and to change measurement units applicable to Fairfax, Rockport and Tarkio from Mcfs to Ccfs.) Case No. GR-90-154)

ORDER APPROVING RATES EFFECTIVE MARCH 2, 1990, FOR THE SERVICE
AREA NOT FORMERLY SERVED BY MISSOURI VALLEY

On February 20, 1990, St. Joseph Light & Power Company (Company) of St. Joseph, Missouri, submitted to this Commission for approval, a tariff reflecting a net decrease in rates due to an increase in the cost of gas and to the refunding of monies received by Company from its supplier, ANR Pipeline Company. The changes reflect a net decrease in annualized revenues of approximately \$22,600. The PGA factor will decrease by \$0.0351 per Ccf to \$(0.2743) per Ccf.

The Commission on January 31, 1990, issued an order in which it denied a motion by Public Counsel to suspend the take-or-pay (TOP) portion of Company's PGA tariffs. The Commission denied the motion because there was no final and appealable order in Associated Gas Distributors vs. FERC, Case No. 88-1385 (Dec. 28, 1989), which was the basis of Public Counsel's motion.

Company filed a response to the motion to suspend requesting that the Commission deny the motion to suspend as premature.

The Commission gave interested persons until February 20, 1990, to file any additional pleadings on this issue. No additional pleadings were filed.

The Commission has reviewed its decision on this issue and has determined that the TOP portion of Company's tariffs should continue to be collected. When there is a definitive decision on this issue at the Federal level, interested parties may request the Commission again address this issue.

Staff recommends that the tariff proposed herein be approved.

Based on Staff's recommendation, and for good cause shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 1986, the Commission determines that the tariff sheet proposed herein should be approved to become effective March 2, 1990.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED: 1. That the following tariff sheet submitted by St. Joseph Light & Power Company of St. Joseph, Missouri, for the purpose of reflecting a net decrease in rates due to an increase in wholesale gas costs and the initiation of a refund factor be, and it is, hereby approved to become effective on and after March 2, 1990.

P.S.C. Mo. No. 4

10th Revised Sheet No. 9.4 Cancelling 9th Revised Sheet No. 9.4

ORDERED: 2. That this Order shall become effective on the date hereof.

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Cecil I. Wright, Deputy Chief Hearing Examiner, by delegation of authority under Commission Directive of July 28, 1989, pursuant to Section 386.240, R.S.Mo. 1986.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 28th day of February, 1990.