STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY March 22, 2000

CASE NO: GR-2000-392

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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 United Cities Gas Company's |) |
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| tariff revisions designed to be reviewed in |) Case No. GR-2000-393 |
| its 1999-2000 Actual Cost Adjustment for the |) |
| Missouri service area of the Company. |) |

ORDER APPROVING INTERIM PALMYRA DISTRICT RATES

United Cities Gas Company (United) of Franklin, Tennessee, submitted a tariff sheet to the Commission on February 29, 2000, carrying an effective date of April 1, 2000. The tariff sheet is designed to change Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors for its Palmyra District as a result of an increase in the spot market gas cost. The effect of this change will increase the Palmyra District PGA Factor from \$0.3861 per Ccf to \$0.4112 per Ccf.

The Missouri Public Service Commission Staff (Staff) filed a memorandum stating that the change in United's PGA was calculated in conformance with its approved PGA Clause and recommends that the Commission approve the tariff sheet to become effective on April 1, 2000. Staff recommended that the tariff sheet submitted in this filing be approved, interim subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in Case Nos. GR-99-280 and GR-2000-392.

The Commission has reviewed the tariff sheet and Staff's recommendation, and finds that the tariff sheet conforms to the Company's Commission approved PGA Clause and is therefore reasonable. After considering Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheet should be allowed to become effective on and after the requested effective date, April 1, 2000, interim subject to refund.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the tariff sheet submitted on February 29, 2000, by United Cities Gas Company of Franklin, Tennessee, for the purpose of reflecting changes

in rates for natural gas in its Palmyra District, be, and it is, hereby approved to become effective on and after April 1, 2000, interim subject to refund. The tariff sheet approved is:

P.S.C. MO. No. 3
55th Revised Sheet No. 48.1 Cancelling 54th Revised Sheet No. 48.1

2. That this order shall become effective on April 1, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts

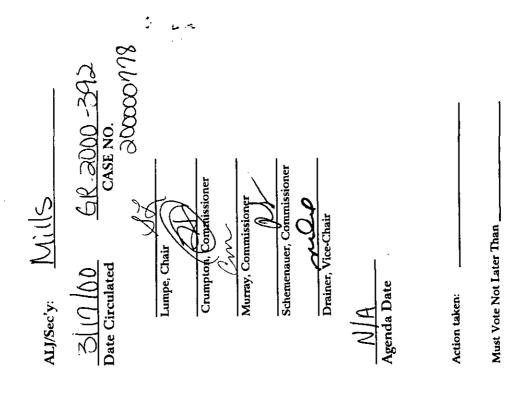
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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Lewis Mills, Deputy Chief 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 22^{nd} day of March, 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 22^{nd} day of March 2000.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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