STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY January 27, 1999

CASE NO: GR-99-304

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

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 27th day of January, 1999.

In the matter of Missouri Gas Energy's Purchased)

Gas Adjustment factors to be reviewed in its)

Case No. GR-99-304
1998-1999 Actual Cost Adjustment.

ORDER APPROVING INTERIM RATES

Missouri Gas Energy (MGE or Company), a division of Southern Union Company, of Kansas City, Missouri, submitted a tariff sheet to the Commission on January 15, 1999, carrying an effective date of February 1, 1999. The tariff sheet was filed to reflect an unscheduled change in MGE's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factor as the result of a change in the cost of natural gas for the current winter season.

The effect of this change will decrease the firm PGA factor for the remaining 1998-1999 winter season to \$0.35413 per Ccf from a beginning winter season firm PGA factor of \$0.39490 per Ccf. This represents an approximate 10% decrease in gas costs to consumers.

The Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a memorandum stating that the change in MGE's PGA was calculated in conformance with the Company's approved PGA Clause and recommends that the Commission approve the tariff sheet to become effective on February 1, 1999. Staff stated that MGE's PGA Clause allows for ten (10) business days notice for filings reflecting PGA changes. Staff recommends that the Commission approve the tariff sheet to become effective February 1, 1999 on an interim basis, subject to refund, pending final Commission decisions in MGE's Actual Cost Adjustment Case Nos. GR-96-450, GR-98-167 and GR-99-304.

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, and for good cause shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11), RSMo 1994, the Commission finds that the proposed tariff sheet should be approved to become effective on and after the requested effective date of February 1, 1999, interim subject to refund.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the tariff sheet submitted on January 15, 1999, by Missouri Gas Energy, a division of Southern Union Company, of Kansas City, Missouri, is approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, to become effective on February 1, 1999. The tariff sheet approved is:

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2. That this order shall become effective on February 1, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Lumpe, Ch., Murray, Schemenauer, and Drainer, CC., concur. Crumpton, C., absent.

Thompson, Regulatory Law Judge

ALJ/Sec'y: Thompson Date Circulated CASE NO.

Lumpe, Chair

Crumpaton, Commissioner

Murray, Commissioner

Schemenauer, Commissioner

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Agenda Date

Must Vote Not Later Than

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 27TH day of JANUARY, 1999.

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Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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