STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY October 10, 2000

CASE NO: GR-99-304

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

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's)	
Purchased Gas Adjustment Factors to be)	Case No. GR-99-304
Reviewed in its 1998-1999 Actual Cost)	
Adjustment.)	

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

On August 1, 2000, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed its Memorandum and Recommendation with respect to the Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) for 1998-1999 filed by Missouri Gas Energy (MGE) on January 15, 2000. Therein, Staff states that, after an audit and review, it has proposed significant adjustments. Following an Order Directing Filing, issued on August 3, 2000, MGE responded to Staff on August 31, 2000. In its response, MGE takes issue with certain of the adjustments proposed by Staff.

This matter being at issue, the Commission on September 20, 2000, set a Prehearing Conference and ordered the filing of a proposed procedural schedule. However, having considered the pleadings of the parties discussed above, the Commission has determined that the issues presented in this matter are similar to those in Case No. GR-96-450, presently on review in the courts. Inasmuch as the resolution of that case will necessarily govern the resolution of this case, the Commission will hold this case in abeyance pending final judicial determination of Case No. GR-96-450.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the prehearing conference previously scheduled in this matter for October 20, 2000, is canceled.



- 2. That the joint proposed procedural schedule, previously ordered for October 27, 2000, need not be filed.
- 3. That the parties shall file a pleading in this case advising the Commission that the final judicial resolution of Case No. GR-96-450 has been issued. A copy of the judicial determination shall be attached to that pleading.
 - 4. That this order shall become effective on October 20, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 10th day of October, 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 10th day of Oct. 2000.

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge