

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

ONEOK, Inc., 100 West Fifth Street,)	
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>Case No. GC-99-557</u>
)	
Southern Union Company, 504 Lavaca,)	
Suite 800, Austin, Texas 78701,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Southern Union Company (Southern Union) filed Additional Suggestions of Mootness in Support of Southern Union Company's Motion to Dismiss on January 26, 2000. Southern Union notes that ONEOK, Inc. (ONEOK), has decided to terminate its plan to merge with Southwest Gas, and argues that this is another basis upon which the Commission should dismiss ONEOK's complaint as moot. Although no parties have filed a response, the Commission finds that appropriate input from the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) will assist in the resolution of this matter. The Commission will direct Staff to file a response or supplemental recommendation which clarifies whether Southern Union's most recent filing affects the Staff's position in this matter.

Any other party may file a response to Staff's recommendation within ten days of the date on which it is filed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file a response or supplemental recommendation which addresses the arguments raised in Southern Union Company's Additional Suggestions of Mootness in Support of Southern Union Company's Motion to Dismiss, no later than June 26, 2000.

2. That any other party may file a reply to Staff's response or supplemental recommendation ordered in Paragraph 1. Such reply shall be filed within ten days of the date of Staff's response or supplemental recommendation.

3. That this order shall become effective on June 16, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

(S E A L)

Vicky Ruth, 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 6th day of June, 2000.

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