STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION **JEFFERSON CITY** March 24, 1999

CASE NO: GR-98-167

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

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's)
Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment Tariff) Case No. GR-98-167
Revisions to be Reviewed in its 1997-)
1998 Actual Cost Adjustment.)

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION

On February 4, 1999, Kansas Pipeline Company (KPC) filed its application to intervene in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.075. In its application, KPC stated that it is a FERC-jurisdictional supplier of natural gas transportation service in the state of Missouri. KPC stated that it began supplying such service to Missouri Gas Energy (MGE) on or about June 1, 1998. KPC claims a direct interest in this proceeding as a supplier of natural gas transportation service to MGE, since some of the costs associated therewith may be subject to review in this case.

KPC stated that its interest in this proceeding is different from that of the general public. KPC also points out that its predecessors, Riverside Pipeline Company, L.P. (Riverside) and Mid-Kansas Partnership (Mid-Kansas) were granted intervention by the Commission's order of January 28, 1998. KPC stated that granting the proposed intervention will serve the public interest by allowing the input of one of MGE's material transporters to be brought before the Commission. KPC stated that it began service to MGE during the subject ACA period. KPC stated that it is a successor in interest to

Riverside/Mid-Kansas. The Commission recognized the standing of Riverside/Mid-Kansas to intervene in MGE's previous ACA proceedings, and therefore KPC believes the Commission should grant intervention to KPC in this case.

KPC's application stated that granting the intervention of KPC will in no way hinder or delay the timely completion of this case as Staff has not yet filed its recommendation regarding its review of MGE's 1997-1998 ACA period. KPC also stated in its application that it did not have sufficient information to take a position in this case but that KPC is concerned that decisions or orders of the Commission could adversely impact KPC. No objections to this intervention were received.

The Commission has reviewed the application for intervention and finds that it is in substantial compliance with Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.075 and that KPC does have an interest in this matter which is different from that of the general public. The Commission concludes that the Application for Intervention should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Application for Intervention filed by Kansas Pipeline Company on February 4, 1999 is granted.

2. That this order shall become effective on April 5, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

Shelly R. Register, 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 24th day of March, 1999.

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> > Crampton Commissioner

Murray, Commissioner

Schemenauer Commissioner

Drainer, Vice-Chair

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 24TH day of MARCH, 1999.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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