

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Proposed Revision to  
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**Case No. AX-2008-0201**

### **NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT**

Issue Date: January 23, 2008

On December 19, 2007, a group of interested persons filed a Motion for Proposed Rulemaking to amend the Commission's rule concerning *ex parte* communications. As part of that Motion, specific suggestions for changes were filed. The Commission is considering the possibility of making revisions to the *ex parte* rule, but before it proceeds to find revision necessary, the Commission seeks information from interested persons about the existing rule, to wit:

1. Is the wording of the current rule sufficiently clear to guide the behavior of all the participants (including Commissioners) in PSC proceedings?
2. Is the rule, as currently drafted, sufficient in scope? Are activities permitted that should be prohibited? Are activities prohibited that should be permitted?
3. Is the rule, as currently drafted, consistent with the substance and spirit of the statutes governing *ex parte* communications at the PSC?
4. Are the present rule and procedures concerning *ex parte* communications sufficient to ensure public confidence in the fairness of proceedings at the PSC?

Those persons wishing to comment in response to the questions listed above or on any other matter pertaining to the Commission's ex parte rules may do so by filing comments in this matter, AX-2008-0201, in the Commission's electronic filing and information system. To be considered by the Commission in its determination of whether a rulemaking is necessary, comments shall be filed no later than 8:00 am, Monday, February 4, 2008.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 23rd day of January, 2008.

Dale, Chief Regulatory Law Judge