

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P.	)	<b>Case No. GR-2010-0347</b>
Request for a Small Company Rate	)	<b>Tracking No. JG-2011-0253</b>
Increase.	)	

**STAFF’S RESPONSE  
TO ORDER DIRECTING FILING**

COMES NOW the Staff (“Staff”) of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”) and responds to the Commission’s January 14, 2011 filing directing Staff to file a statement concerning the *Company/Staff Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Natural Gas Company Revenue Increase Request and Unanimous Disposition Agreement Modifying Company/Staff Agreement*, and the pending revised substitute tariff sheets.

Attached is Staff’s affidavit supporting Staff’s filing made earlier.

WHEREFORE, Staff files its affidavit in response to the Commission’s January 14 *Order Directing Filing* and in support of Staff’s recommendation filed earlier today.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served, either electronically or by hand delivery on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2011, on the parties of record as set out on the official Service List maintained by the Data Center of the Missouri Public Service Commission for this case.

**/s/ Lera Shemwell**