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MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File,  
Case No. GR-99-304, File No. 9900770, Missouri Gas Energy

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SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation on Substitute Tariff Sheet filed in Missouri Gas Energy's  
Scheduled Summer Season PGA Filing Effective May 1, 1999.

DATE: April 28, 1999

On April 2, 1999, Missouri Gas Energy (MGE or Company), a division of Southern Union Company, of Kansas City, Missouri filed a tariff sheet proposed to become effective May 1, 1999. The tariff sheet was filed to reflect scheduled changes in MGE's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as the result of an estimated change in the cost of natural gas for the upcoming summer season. Additionally, this tariff filing reflected changes in the refund, take or pay and transition cost factors, as well as the termination of the Price Stabilization Charge. On April 19, 1999, the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) issued its Order Approving Interim Rates (Order) approving the Eleventh Revised SHEET No. 24.7 and canceling the Tenth Revised SHEET No. 24.7 as filed on April 2, 1999.

Subsequent to the issuance of the Order, but prior to the effective date of the tariff, a typographical error was discovered in the Large Volume Transportation T. C. Factor (Factor) contained on the tariff sheet approved by the Order. The Eleventh Revised SHEET No. 24.7 contained a Factor of \$0.00891 per Ccf, but should have reflected a Factor of \$0.00851 per Ccf. The Company's work papers which accompanied the scheduled summer PGA change reflected the correct Factor, however that Factor failed to be properly transferred onto the tariff sheet. On April 27, 1999, MGE filed Substitute Eleventh Revised SHEET No. 24.7 with an effective date of May 1, 1999, which reflects the correct Factor of \$0.00851 per Ccf. All of the other changes contained in the tariff sheet which were approved by the Order remain unchanged on the substitute tariff sheet submitted on April 27, 1999.

The Commission's Gas Department – Tariffs/Rate Design Staff (Staff) has reviewed this filing and has determined that it now reflects the correct Factor. Staff is of the opinion that good cause for approval of this substitute tariff sheet on less than thirty (30) days notice is demonstrated by MGE's Commission-approved PGA Clause. Therefore, Staff recommends that the following tariff sheet, substituted on April 27, 1999, be approved, interim subject to refund:

P.S.C. MO. No. 1

Substitute Eleventh Revised SHEET No. 24.7 canceling Tenth Revised SHEET No. 24.7

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