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**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a Session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office  
in Jefferson City on the 17th  
day of March, 1998.

In the Matter of Missouri Public Service's )  
Tariff Revisions to be reviewed in its ) Case No. GR-96-192  
1995-1996 Actual Cost Adjustment. )

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO EXCUSE WITNESS**

On March 9, 1998, UtiliCorp United Inc., d/b/a Missouri Public Service (MPS), filed a Motion to Excuse Witness Harry F. Ono. MPS stated that the issues addressed by MPS witness Ono are no longer contested between the parties and that the other parties have waived cross-examination of Mr. Ono. MPS states that Mr. Ono is based in Omaha, Nebraska, and there are certain expenses associated with having him appear in Jefferson City. Therefore, MPS requests that Mr. Ono be excused from appearing at the hearing scheduled for March 24-27. MPS understands that if Mr. Ono is excused, his Direct and Rebuttal testimony would be stipulated into the record by the parties.

The Commission has reviewed the motion filed by MPS. The Commission finds that the motion is reasonable and should be granted. The Commission will excuse MPS witness Mr. Ono from the hearing scheduled for March 24-27.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the Motion to Excuse witness Harry F. Ono filed by UtiliCorp United Inc., d/b/a Missouri Public Service on March 9, 1998, is granted.

2. That Harry F. Ono is excused from the evidentiary hearing scheduled for March 24-27, 1998.

3. That this order shall become effective on March 19, 1998.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

*Dale Hardy Roberts*

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

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Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Murray,  
and Drainer, CC., concur.

G. George, Regulatory Law Judge

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