STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 29th day of November, 1994.

In the Matter of Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc.'s)

Tariff Revisions to Be Reviewed in its) Case No. GR-95-155

1993-1994 Actual Cost Adjustment.)

ORDER APPROVING INTERIM RATES EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 1994

On November 4, 1994, Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc. (Fidelity) of Sullivan, Missouri, filed with this Commission for approval, a tariff sheet which reflects a net decrease in its PGA factors resulting from a decrease in gas costs and an increase in its Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) factor. On November 16, 1994, Fidelity submitted a substitute tariff sheet to correct a minor typographical error.

Case No. GR-95-155, under which this change was filed, was established to address Fidelity's PGA factors that are contained in its 1993-1994 ACA filing. Case No. GR-93-135 was established to track Fidelity's PGA factors to be reviewed in its 1992-1993 ACA filing.

The Missouri Public Service Commission Staff (Staff) reviewed the filing and are of the opinion that the proposed changes were calculated in compliance with the current PGA Clause. The resulting ACA filing, however, was not performed in accordance with the filing timing provisions of Fidelity's approved PGA Clause. Staff stated that sufficient good cause exists to approve this filing. This good cause is to keep Fidelity from over refunding monies associated with the previous ACA factor and to implement an overall PGA reduction. Staff therefore recommended the proposed tariff sheet be approved, interim subject to refund, pending a final Commission decision in Case No. GR-93-135. Also, Staff requested permission to submit its evaluation and recommendation of the data contained in this ACA filing, on or before September

1, 1995.

After reviewing Staff's recommendation and request, and for good cause shown pursuant to Section 393.140(11) RSMo 1986, the Commission is of the opinion that the proposed tariff sheet, as substituted, should be allowed to become effective on and after the requested effective date, December 1, 1994, interim subject to refund. Fidelity is reminded, however, that, in the future, should it not be able to submit its ACA filing in a timely manner, the proper procedure would be to file an application for a one-time variance from its PGA Clause to allow it to file its ACA tariff sheet in a manner inconsistent with its tariffed procedure.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the following tariff sheet filed November 4, 1994, by Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc. of Sullivan, Missouri, for the purpose of reflecting a net decrease in the PGA factors as a result of a decrease in its gas costs and an increase in its ACA factor, as substituted, be, and the same is, hereby authorized to become effective on and after December 1, 1994, interim subject to refund.

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- 2. That the Commission's Procurement Analysis Department be given the time necessary to conduct its audit of this ACA period and submit its results and recommendations regarding this ACA on or before September 1, 1995.
 - 3. That this order shall become effective on December 1, 1994.

BY THE COMMISSION

Executive Secretary

(SEAL)

McClure, Perkins, and Kincheloe, CC., Concur. Mueller, Chm., and Crumpton, C., Absent.