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Case No. GR-99-304 - In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's Purchased Gas RE: Adjustment Factors to be Reviewed in its 1998-1999 Actual Cost Adjustment.

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of the JANUARY 2002 STAFF FILING.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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- 1. On February 26, 2001, the Commission ordered the Staff to apprise it of the status of each case whose resolution will address issues currently pending in MGE's 1996-1997 ACA case, and that should be held in abeyance pending resolution of Case No. GR-96-450.
 - 2. These MGE ACA cases are currently pending:
 - GR-96-450 1996/97 ACA. This case is under submission to the Commission, awaiting decision.
 - GR-98-167 1997/98 ACA. Staff recommendation filed 8/12/99; MGE response filed 10/19/99.
 - GR-99-304 1998/99 ACA. Case being held in abeyance pending resolution of GR-96-450.
 - GR-2000-425 1999/00 ACA. Staff recommendation ordered filed by 12/1/01.
 - GR-2001-382 2000/01 ACA. The Commission granted Staff an extension until March 28, 2002 to file its recommendation in this case. Staff filed its new proposed procedural schedule on December 13, 2001, and the Commission ordered a procedural schedule on January 2, 2002. The case is scheduled for hearing, if needed October 21 through 25, 2002.

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3. In each of the above-listed cases the Staff has proposed, or anticipates proposing, an adjustment based upon the prudence of MGE's contract with Kansas Pipeline Company/Riverside Partnership for transportation of natural gas. The Commission's decision on this issue in Case No. GR-96-450 will directly and substantially affect the procedure in the ensuing ACA cases. With the exception of Case No. GR-2001-382, the Staff suggests that the Commission continue to hold MGE's ACA cases in abeyance pending its resolution of Case No. GR-96-450.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 16th day of January 2002.

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