BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of the application of Arkansas

Western Gas Company, d/b/a Associated Natural

Gas Company, for a certificate of convenience

and necessity authorizing it to construct,

install, own, operate, control, manage and

maintain a certain natural gas pipeline in

Dunklin County, Missouri.

Case No. GA-90-15

APPEARANCES:

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and

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Western Gas Company.

HEARING

EXAMINER:

Alisa M. Dotson.

REPORT AND ORDER

On July 21, 1989, Arkansas Western Gas Company, d/b/a Associated Natural Gas Company, (Applicant) filed an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity in Dunklin County to serve the City of Campbell with an upgraded size of pipe. Applicant stated that the increase in the pipe size to 4-1/2 inch from 2-3/8 inch stemmed from a need for an increased load. Applicant stated the increase would allow better operating efficiencies in the integrated system to which the line is connected, thereby adding improved deliverability, reliability and safety to the Campbell area. The proposed line would be installed in existing rights of way parallel and adjacent to the existing 2-3/8 inch pipeline.

Commission Staff stated that a certificate had already been issued to Applicant to serve the City of Campbell. That certificate is contained in the Commission order of January 11, 1952 in Case No. 11,972, where the "Ordered: 1" section which reads: "That Arkansas-Missouri Power Company be and it is granted a



Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to construct, maintain and operate transmission lines and distribution systems and to sell natural gas to the public in the cities of Caruthersville, Steele, Campbell, and Portageville, Missouri, and in local areas adjacent thereto."

On September 7, 1989, the Commission Staff through its General Counsel filed a Motion To Recognize Authority And Dismiss Docket.

On September 12, 1989, the Applicant filed its response to Staff's motion.

Applicant stated it would have no objection to the dismissal of its application under the circumstances described by Staff's motion.

The Commission has reviewed the application and its attachments, recommendations of its Staff and the Applicant's response to Staff's motion, and has determined that a hearing is not necessary to resolve the issues in this case. The Commission has also reviewed Case No. 11,972 and has determined that the authority sought herein has been granted to Applicant's predecessor in Case No. 11,972. The Commission, therefore, has determined Staff's motion should be granted and the instant application should be dismissed.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED: 1. That the motion of Commission Staff filed September 7, 1989 is hereby granted.

ORDERED: 2. That the authority sought herein by Arkansas Western Gas Company, d/b/a Associated Natural Gas Company, is hereby recognized as authority previously granted in Case No. 11,972.

ORDERED: 3. That the application filed herein by Arkansas Western Gas Company, d/b/a Associated Natural Gas Company, is hereby dismissed.

ORDERED: 4. That this Report And Order shall become effective on the date

hereof.

BY THE COMMISSION

Harvey G. Hubbs

Secretary

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Steinmeier, Chm., Mueller, Fischer and Rauch, CC., Concur.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 18th day of October, 1989.