BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of the application of Southern Missouri		
Gas Company L.P. d/b/a Southern Missouri Natural Gas)	
for authority to enter into certain debt instruments)	
and to issue up to and including \$28,000,000)	
of short-term indebtedness, in one or more)	Case No. GF-2011-0352
transactions, and to, among other things execute)	
and deliver a mortgage and security agreement)	
to secure said indebtedness)	

RESPONSE OF SOUTHERN MISSOURI NATURAL GAS TO ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Comes now Southern Missouri Gas Company, LP d/b/a Southern Missouri Natural Gas ("SMNG" or "Company"), pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080 and respectfully provides to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") the following response to the *Order Granting Application* issued on June 10, 2011:

1. On June 10, 2011, the Commission issued its *Order Granting Application* ("Order") which, *inter alia*, stated as follows:

No later than June 24, 2011, Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P., d/b/a Southern Missouri Natural Gas, Inc. shall file a statement of what portion of this issue authorized in this order is subject to the fee schedule in Section 386.300.2, RSMo.

2. In response to the Commission's Order, the Company wishes to inform the Commission that approximately \$15 Million of the authorized \$28 Million in short-term debt will go to pay off, refinance and retire existing debt. Approximately \$11.5 Million will be used for construction and \$1.5 Million for purchasing gas for storage. As a result, the Company

believes that \$13 Million of the authorized financing will be subject to the fee schedule in Section 386.300.2 RSMo. ¹

WHEREFORE, Southern Missouri Natural Gas respectfully requests that the Commission consider this response to the Commission's *Order Granting Application* issued on June 10, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ Section 386.300.2 RSMo states as follows:

For certificate authorizing an issue of bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, the commission shall charge one dollar for each thousand dollars of the face value of the authorized issue, or fraction thereof, up to one million dollars, and fifty cents for each one thousand dollars over one million dollars and up to ten million dollars, and twenty-five cents for each one thousand dollars over ten million dollars, with a minimum fee in any case of twenty-five dollars; provided, that no fee shall be charged when such issue is made for the purpose of guaranteeing, taking over, refunding, discharging or retiring any bond, note or other evidence of indebtedness up to the amount of the issue guaranteed, taken over, refunded, discharged or retired.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was sent by electronic mail on June 24th, 2011, to the following:

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