

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of)	
Summit Natural Gas of Missouri Inc.'s)	<u>File No. GR-2014-0086</u>
Filing of Revised Tariffs to Increase Its)	Tracking No. YG-2014-0285
Annual Revenues for Natural Gas Service)	

**REVISED LIST OF ISSUES, LIST AND ORDER OF WITNESSES,
ORDER OF OPENING AND ORDER OF CROSS-EXAMINATION**

COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission), by and through counsel, and on behalf of the parties in this case— Summit Natural Gas of Missouri (SNGMO); the Office of The Public Counsel (OPC); the Missouri School Boards' Association (MSBA); the Missouri Department of Economic Development, Division of Energy (DE); and the Missouri Propane Gas Association (MPGA)—and hereby submits the following *Revised List of Issues, List and Order of Witnesses, Order of Opening and Order of Cross-Examination*.

This revised document reflects issues resolved with the filing of two Partial Stipulations and Agreements on Monday, August 18, 2014, and revises the List and Order of Issues to update the hearing schedule for the remaining issues.

List of Issues

I. Rate of Return

A. What is the appropriate cost of capital that the Commission should apply in this case to determine a revenue requirement for SNGMO?

- i. What is the appropriate cost of common equity?
- ii. What is the appropriate cost of long-term debt?

B. What capital structure should the Commission use in this case to determine a revenue requirement for SNGMO?

II. Revenue Requirement

A. Should the Commission grant the Company a rate increase? If so, in what amount?

B. Should SNGMO make an adjustment to Account 302?

C. Should the Commission require SNGMO to impute a level of volumes, customer levels, and/or revenues in any of the four rate divisions in this rate case?

D. How should the former SMNG assets be booked to plant in service in light of MGU's merger with SMNG that was approved in GM-2011-0354?

III. Misc. Tariff Issues

A. Should the Commission approve SNGMO's proposed Conversion Program?

B. What conversion costs should SNGMO be required to charge?

C. Should SNGMO's conversion practices be revised?

D. Should the Commission approve SNGMO's proposal to modify its Commodity Flex Provision?

IV. Rate Design

A. What is "rate shock"? If it exists, should the Commission address rate shock in this case and, if so, how?

B. How should any rate increase/decrease be applied to volumetric and monthly charges?

V. Energy Efficiency/Low Income Weatherization Programs

- A. Should the Commission approve an Energy Efficiency Collaborative for SNGMO?
- B. What programs, if any, should the Commission authorize?
- C. What funding level, if any, should the Commission authorize?
- D. How should SNGMO recover funding for any programs?
- E. Should the Commission direct SNGMO to enter into a funding agreement with the Division of Energy for administration and monitoring of programs?
- F. If the Commission approves an energy efficiency program, what measures should be included in the program?

List and Order of Witnesses

Tuesday, August 19

Opening Statements: Summit Natural Gas of Missouri, Inc. (SNGMO), Staff, OPC, MSBA, DE, MPGA

For each of the issues below, the parties will provide brief opening statements introducing each issue.

Rate of Return Issues (Return on Equity, Cost of Debt, and Capital Structure)

SNGMO: Anderson, Lawler¹

Staff: Murray

¹ Mr. Lawler is only available later in the week and is scheduled to appear on Friday. At that time, he will be available for cross-examination on both Rate of Return Issues and the Merger Purchase Price issue.

Wednesday, August 20

Rate increase/amount, Amortization and Imputation of minimum level of volumes

SNGMO Witnesses: Johnston, Porter

Staff Witness: McMellen

OPC Witness: Roth, Meisenheimer

MPGA Witness: Brooks

Warsaw/Branson Reductions

SNGMO Witness: Johnston, Porter

Staff: McMellen, Jenkins (capacity utilization calculations)

OPC: Meisenheimer

Miscellaneous Tariff Issues

Promotional Practices and Conversion Issues, Commodity Flex Rate

SNGMO: Wankum

OPC: Meisenheimer

Rate Design and Rate Shock

Customer charges, Equal percentage application of any rate increase

SNGMO: Taylor, Porter

Staff: Imhoff, McNutt, Kliethermes

OPC: Meisenheimer

MSBA: Ervin

Thursday, August 21

The parties reserve this date in the event that all the issues scheduled for Wednesday cannot be completed on that day.

Friday, August 22²

EE/LIWP Issues: (Funding/Amounts, Programs, and Cost Treatment)

SNGMO: Wankum

Staff: Boustead, Imhoff

OPC: Marke

DE: Buchanan, Gassner

Rate Increase Request/Amount (Continued)

Merger Purchase Price

SNGMO: Lawler

Staff: McMellen

OPC: Roth, Meisenheimer

² These issues must be heard on Friday in order to accommodate witness/counsel schedules.

Order of Cross

SNGMO witnesses: DE, MPGA, MSBA, OPC, Staff
Staff witnesses: OPC, MSBA, DE, MPGA, SNGMO
OPC witnesses: Staff, MSBA, DE, MPGA, SNGMO
MSBA witnesses: DE, MPGA, SNGMO, Staff, OPC
DE witnesses: MSBA, MPGA, SNGMO, Staff, OPC
MPGA witnesses: Staff, OPC, MSBA, DE, SNGMO

WHEREFORE, Staff submits this Revised List of Issues, List and Order of Witnesses, Order of Opening, and Order of Cross Examination for the Commission’s consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were served electronically to all counsel of record this 18th day of August, 2014.

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