MEMORANDUM

TO:

Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File, Commission Case No. GR-2000-392, File No. 200000670, United Cities Gas Companyion

FROM:

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Utility Operations Division/Date General Counsel's Office/Date

SUBJECT:

Staff Recommendation on United Cities Gas Company's Hannibal-Canton

District PGA Filing, effective March 1, 2000

DATE:

February 14, 2000

On January 28, 2000, United Cities Gas Company (United or Company) of Franklin, Tennessee, filed a tariff sheet proposed to become effective March 1, 2000, for its Hannibal-Canton District. The tariff sheet was filed to reflect changes in the Company's Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as a result of an increase in the cost of spot market gas.

effect of this change will be to increase the PGA factor for the The Hannibal/Canton district from \$0.3057 per Ccf to \$0.3266 per Ccf.

Case No. GR-2000-392, under which this change was filed, was established to address United's PGA factors that will be reviewed in its 1999-2000 Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) filing. Case No. GR-99-280 was established to address the PGA factors filed in its 1998-1999 ACA period. Interim subject to refund status should be maintained pending final Commission decisions in Case Nos. GR-99-280 and GR-2000-392.

The Commission's Gas Department - Tariffs/Rate Design Staff (Staff) has reviewed this filing and has determined it was calculated in conformance with United's Therefore, Staff recommends that the following tariff sheet, be approved to become effective March 1, 2000, interim subject to refund:

P.S.C. MO. No. 3

84th Revised SHEET No. 46, Cancelling 83rd Revised SHEET No. 46

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