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Service Commission

Re: In the Matter of the Joint Application of Gateway Pipeline Company, Inc., Missouri Gas Company and Missouri Pipeline Company
Case No. GM-2001-585

Dear Mr. Roberts:

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On behalf of UtiliCorp United Inc., I deliver herewith an original and eight (8) copies of the direct testimony of Richard C. Kreul to be filed with the Commission in the referenced case. Please note that several pages to Schedule RCK-4 to Mr. Kreul's testimony are marked "Highly Confidential" and, thus, are included in a separate sealed envelope in accordance with the Commission's Protective Order in this case. A copy of this direct testimony is also being hand-delivered to The Office of the Public Counsel this date.

I have also enclosed an extra copy of the direct testimony of Richard C. Kreul which I request that you stamp "Filed" and return to the person delivering same to you.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

BRYDON SWEARENGEN & ENGLAND P.C.

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