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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Missouri	)	
Gas Energy, a Division of Southern Union	)	
Company, for the Issuance of an Accounting	)	<u>Case No. GO-99-258</u>
Authority Order Relating to Year 2000	)	
Compliance Projects.	)	

**ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

On December 8, 1998, Missouri Gas Energy, a Division of Southern Union Company (MGE), filed an application for an accounting authority order relating to its Year 2000 compliance projects. On March 3, 1999, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed its memorandum in which it recommended that the Commission require MGE to submit to certain conditions. On April 19, MGE filed its response in which it objected to these conditions.

On May 5, the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) filed a motion to dismiss, or in the alternative, to establish a procedural schedule. Public Counsel argues that the application should be dismissed because the expenditures involved are neither extraordinary nor material. The Commission will not rule on the motion to dismiss until it has record evidence on whether the expenditures are extraordinary and material.

The Commission will schedule a prehearing conference to afford the parties the opportunity to discuss, define, and possibly resolve the issues presented in this case. The Commission will also set a date for

the filing of a proposed procedural schedule to ensure that this case progresses.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That a prehearing conference will be held on July 19, 1999, at 10:00 a.m. at the Commission's offices on the fifth floor of the Harry S Truman State Office Building, 301 West High Street, Jefferson City, Missouri.

2. That anyone with special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact the Missouri Public Service Commission at least ten (10) days before the prehearing or hearing at one of the following numbers: Consumer Services Hotline — 1-800-392-4211 or TDD Hotline — 1-800-829-7541.

3. That the parties shall file a proposed procedural schedule no later than July 29, 1999.

4. That this order shall become effective on May 21, 1999.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



**Dale Hardy Roberts**  
**Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

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Lewis Mills, Deputy Chief  
Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation  
of authority under Commission Directive  
of January 3, 1995, pursuant to  
Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 11th day of May, 1999.

