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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
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Missouri Public Service Commission

RE: Electric Affiliate Transaction Rules,

Case No. EX-99-442

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced case, please find the original and 14 copies of Withdrawal of the Highly Confidential Portion of Public Counsel's Initial Comments. Please "file stamp" the extra enclosed copy and return it to this office. I have on this date mailed, faxed, or hand-delivered the appropriate number of copies to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

John B. Coffman

Deputy Public Counsel

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cc: Counsel of Record

Enclosure

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the matter of 4 CSR 240-20.015 proposed Rule - electric utilities affiliate transactions.

Case No. EX-99-442

WITHDRAWAL OF THE HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL PORTION OF PUBLIC COUNSEL'S INITIAL COMMENTS

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) and for its Request states as follows:

- 1. On July 1, 1999, Public Counsel submitted its Initial Comments in this case. These Initial Comments included a highly confidential section that was submitted to the Public Service Commission (Commission) under seal. A portion of this highly confidential section contains information obtained from a utility company through discovery conducted in another pending Commission case, and was included in prepared testimony in that case. However, Public Counsel has not yet been able to obtain this information through discovery in this case.
- 2. No harm has occurred as a result of the filing of Public Counsel's Initial Comments; however, Public Counsel believes that it is appropriate to take remedial action to ensure that it is strictly adhering to Paragraph S of the standard Protective Order which was issued in the other pending Commission case.

Therefore, Public Counsel hereby withdraws the highly confidential Section IV of its Initial Comments, along with all references to Section IV.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing document has been either faxed, mailed, or hand-delivered to the following counsel of record on this 2nd day of August, 1999:

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