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STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 8th day of August, 1997.

In the matter of the Application of)	
UtiliCorp United Inc., d/b/a Missouri)	
Public Service, for authority to sell)	Case No. GM-97-435
a part of its franchise, works or)	
system.)	

ORDER SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On April 3, 1997 UtiliCorp United Inc. (UtiliCorp) filed an Application with the Commission requesting authorization to sell an approximate 5-mile long, 12-inch diameter natural gas transmission pipeline to Williams Natural Gas Company (WNG). The instant pipeline is currently being used to supply gas to UtiliCorp's Greenwood generation facility.

On August 4 the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a motion to suspend the procedural schedule in this matter pending the outcome of discussions which may lead to the resolution of this case. The Staff states that the remainder of the parties are not opposed to this motion.

The Commission finds the Staff request to be reasonable and will suspend the procedural schedule in this matter through September 5. The parties are advised to file a unanimous stipulation and agreement or a request for a revised procedural schedule no later than September 5.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the current procedural schedule is hereby suspended and the parties are ordered to file a stipulation and agreement or request for a revised procedural schedule no later than the close of business, September 5, 1997.

2. That this order shall become effective on the date hereof.

By the commission Cail July 10

Cecil I. Wright Executive Secretary

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Crumpton, Drainer, Murray, and Lumpe, CC., Concur. Zobrist, Chm., Absent.

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