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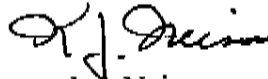
VIA EFIS

Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
Governor Office Building
200 Madison Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary:

On December 1, 2005 the Company filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission P.S.C. MO. No. 5 Consolidated, Third Revised Sheet No. 18-a as a housekeeping measure to conform the base Current Purchased Gas Adjustment ("CPGA") rates in such sheet to the CPGA rates the Commission approved to be effective October 1, 2005 in connection with the resolution of the Company's last general rate case. After discussion of this matter with the Staff, the Company has decided to withdraw such sheet at this time and instead file it contemporaneously with the next CPGA filing the Company makes to reflect an underlying change in its cost of gas.

Sincerely,



Kenneth J. Neises
Executive Vice President
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Enclosures

cc: Office of the Public Counsel