VERIFICATION

State of Missouri)	
County of Jasper) ss)	
I, Ronald F. Gatz, being first duly sworn, state that I am the Vice President of The Empire District Gas Company, that I have been duly authorized to cause to be filed the foregoing Application to Intervene in Missouri Public Service Commission Case No. GA-2007-0289, and that the information contained in said Application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.		
		Ronald F. Gatz
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20 7H day of February, 2007.		
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My commission expires:		
[seal] SHERRI J. BLALO Notary Public - Notar State of Missou Commissioned for Newk My Commission Expires: Nover Commission Number: Of	y Seal ion County noer 16, 2010	