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# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of 4 CSR 240-20.015	)	
Proposed Rule - Electric Utilities	)	Case No. EX-99-442
Affiliate Transactions	)	· ·

# DISSENTING OPINION OF COMMISSIONER CONNIE MURRAY

I respectfully dissent from the decision of the majority to issue the Order of Rulemaking.

Although the final rule is more closely tailored to accomplish its stated purpose than was the originally proposed rule, it remains more restrictive than necessary and may result in increased costs to utilities and reduced benefits to consumers.

The requirements of asymmetrical pricing and the use of fully distributed cost methodology exceed what is needed to prevent cross-subsidization. These requirements provide an advantage to competitors and a disadvantage to regulated utilities and their affiliates. When the competitive scale is tilted in either direction, the consumer looses.

Therefore, I must vote against this final order of rulemaking.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Murray, Commissione

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 16 th day of November, 1999.

# STATE OF MISSOURI OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the runner. City, Missouri, this 22nd day of November 1999.

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**Dale Hardy Roberts** 

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