BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of a Proposed Rulemaking)	
Regarding Ex Parte and Extra-Record)	File No. AX-2010-0128
Communications)	

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NECESSITY

Issue Date: October 29, 2009

The Commission is opening this file to rescind and replace 4 CSR 240-4.020, the existing rule regarding ex parte communications with the Commission. The Commission finds that the subject rule is necessary to set forth the standards for ensuring the public trust in the Commission with regard to pending filings and cases. The rule will regulate communication between the Commission, technical advisory staff, and presiding officers, and anticipated parties, parties, agents of parties, and interested persons regarding substantive issues that are not part of the evidentiary record.

The Commission will seek comments from interested persons as to whether the rule is appropriate and properly designed and written.

BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed Secretary

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 29th day of October, 2009.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge