BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P.'s)	
Purchased Gas Adjustment Factors to be Reviewed)	Case No. GR-2006-0352
In Its 2005-2006 Actual Cost Adjustment.)	

RESPONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING FILING OF AN ALTERNATIVE PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Comes now Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P. d/b/a Southern Missouri Natural Gas ("SMNG") the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") and the Office of the Public Counsel, and for their Alternative Proposed Procedural Schedule, respectfully state as follows:

- 1. On August 10, 2007, the Commission issued its Order Directing Filing Of Alternative Procedural Schedule which directed the parties to file a revised procedural schedule by August 17, 2007.
- 2. Pursuant to the Commission's directive, the undersigned parties propose that the following procedural schedule be established which includes a proposed one-day evidentiary hearing on November 29th. The parties believe that a one-day hearing will be sufficient to consider this matter. Otherwise the dates are the same as previously proposed in the pleading filed by the parties on August 10, 2007:

September 7, 2007	Direct Testimony (Simultaneous)
October 19, 2007	Rebuttal Testimony (Simultaneous)
November 16, 2007	Surrebuttal Testimony (Simultaneous)
November 16, 2007	List of Issues, Witness List and Schedule, and Order of Cross-Examination
November 20, 2007	Statements of Position

November 29, 2007

Evidentiary Hearings—commencing at 8:30 AM

WHEREFORE, the undersigned parties respectfully request that the Commission issue an order adopting the Alternative Proposed Procedural Schedule set forth herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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