STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY April 16, 2001

CASE NO: GE-2001-534

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Enclosed find certified copy of an Order in the above-numbered case(s).

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 ${\bf Secretary/Chief\ Regulatory\ Law\ Judge}$

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Filing of Fidelity Natural Gas Company's Annual Report

Case No. GE-2001-534

ORDER GRANTING LEAVE TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT OUT OF TIME

On April 5, 2001, Fidelity Natural Gas Company filed a motion requesting leave to file its 2000 annual report out of time.

4 CSR 240-10.080(1) provides that "[a]11 public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file an annual report with the Commission on or before April 15 of each year. Fidelity's motion indicates that it was unable to complete its year-end audit in time to complete its annual report by April 15. Fidelity requests an extension of time until May 15 to complete and file its annual report.

After reviewing Fidelity's motion, the Commission concludes that the motion should be granted. The Commission stresses that in the future Fidelity should strive to meet known and required filing deadlines.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the Motion for Extension of Time to File Annual Report filed by Fidelity Natural Gas Company is granted.
- 2. That Fidelity Natural Gas Company shall file its annual report no later than May 15, 2001.
 - 3. That this order shall become effective on April 26, 2001.

4. That this case may be closed on April 27, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Morris Woodruff, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, . on this 16th day of April, 2001.

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 Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,

Missouri, this 16th day of April 2001.

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge