# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Propriety of the	)	
Rate Schedules for Natural Gas Service of	)	File No. GR-2018-0230
Summit Natural Gas of Missouri, Inc.	)	

#### ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: January 23, 2019 Effective Date: January 23, 2019

On January 16, 2019, the Staff of the Commission, on behalf of the parties, filed a Joint Proposed Procedural Schedule and Procedural Requirements. The Commission will slightly alter the proposed schedule to accommodate Commissioner attendance, and will also not waive the telephone conference requirement before a party may file a discovery motion. Otherwise, the Commission approves the proposed schedule.

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The following procedural schedule is established:

Direct Testimony (Non-Company) - February 26, 2019

May 3, 2019

Company Rebuttal - March 29, 2019

Surrebuttal/Cross-Surrebuttal - April 26, 2019

List of Issues, Order of Witnesses,

**Order of Cross-Examination** 

Position Statements - May 6, 2019

Evidentiary Hearings - May 13-14, 2019

Initial Briefs - June 7, 2019

Reply Briefs - June 21, 2019

- All parties must comply with the requirements of Commission Rule 4 CSR
  240-2.130 for prepared testimony, including the requirement that testimony be filed on line-numbered pages.
- 3. Although not all parties may agree upon how each issue should be described or on whether a listed issue is in fact a proper issue in this case, the parties shall agree upon and file a list of the issues to be heard, the witnesses to appear on each day of the hearing, the order in which they will be called, and the order of cross-examination for each witness. The list of issues should be detailed enough to inform the Commission of each issue that must be resolved. The Commission will view any issue not contained in this list of issues as uncontested and not requiring resolution by the Commission.
- 4. Each party shall file simple and concise statement summarizing its position on each disputed issue.
- 5. All pleadings, briefs, and amendments shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080. Briefs shall follow the same list of issues as filed in the case and must set forth and cite the proper portions of the record concerning the remaining unresolved issues that are to be decided by the Commission.
- 6. If part of testimony or documents are prefiled and served upon the parties before a hearing, a party need only provide a copy of the testimony or document to the court reporter for marking as an exhibit. If not prefiled and served upon the parties, then a party who has a document marked for use at the hearing shall have sufficient copies of

the document to provide a copy not only to the court reporter, but also to each of the Commissioners, the presiding officer, and counsel for each other party.

- 7. All parties shall provide copies of testimony (including schedules), exhibits, and pleadings to other counsel by electronic means and in electronic form, essentially concurrently with the filing of such testimony, exhibits, or pleadings where the information is available in electronic format (.PDF, .DOC, .WPD, .XLS, etc.). Parties are not required to put information that does not exist in electronic format into electronic format for purposes of exchanging.
- 8. Public documents filed in the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System ("EFIS") shall be considered properly served by serving the same on counsel of record for all other parties via e-mail. The parties agree confidential documents may be obtained from EFIS and so agree not to serve those documents via email.
- 9. Notwithstanding 4 CSR 240-2.090, responses to data requests shall be due within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the data request, and objections or notifications of the need for additional time to respond shall be due within seven (7) days of receipt of the data request. Counsel for each party shall receive electronically from each other party serving a data request, an electronic copy of the text of the "description" of that data request contemporaneously with service of the data request. Data requests issued to or by Staff shall be submitted and responded to in EFIS, if feasible, or in electronic format on compact disc, or by other means agreed to by counsel, if infeasible. Regarding Staffissued data requests, if the description contains confidential information, or is voluminous, a hyperlink to the EFIS record of that data request shall be considered a sufficient copy. If a party desires the response to a data request that has been served on another party,

the party desiring a copy of the response must request a copy of the response from the party answering the data request. Data requests shall be sent by e-mail to counsel for the other parties. Counsel may designate other personnel to be added to the service list for data requests, but shall assume responsibility for compliance with any restrictions on confidentiality. Data request responses shall be served (electronically, if feasible and practical) on counsel for the requesting party, unless waived by counsel, and shall also be served by e-mail (if feasible and practical) on the requesting party's employee or representative who submitted the data request at the e-mail address provided in the data request.

- 10. The parties shall make an effort to not include confidential information in data requests. If confidential information must be included in a data request, the confidential information shall be appropriately designated as such pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.135.
- 11. If a data request has been responded to, a party's request for a copy of the response shall be timely responded to without waiting the full response time allowed.
- 12. Workpapers prepared in the course of developing a testimony shall not be filed with the Commission, but shall be submitted to each party within two (2) business days following the filing of the testimony, unless a party has indicated that it does not want to receive some or all of the workpapers. Workpapers containing confidential information shall be appropriately marked. If there are no workpapers associated with testimony, the

party's attorney shall so notify the other parties within the time allowed for providing those workpapers.

- 13. Where workpapers or data request responses include models or spreadsheets or similar information originally in a commonly available format where inputs or parameters may be changed to observe changes in inputs, if available in that original format, the party providing the workpaper or response shall provide this type of information in that original format with formulas intact.
- 14. The evidentiary hearing shall be held on May 13-14, 2019, beginning at 8:30 a.m., at the Commission's offices in the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Room 310, Jefferson City, Missouri. The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs specific accessibility accommodations may call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.

15. This order shall become effective when issued.

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Secretary

Ronald D. Pridgin, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2019.

### 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January 2019.

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Morris L. Woodruff

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# MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION January 23, 2019

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

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