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September 18, 2001

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
200 Madison Street, Suite 100
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

RE: In the Matter of the Joint Application of Gateway Pipeline Company, Inc., Missouri Gas Company, and Missouri Pipeline Company and the Acquisition by Gateway Pipeline Company of the Outstanding Shares of UtiliCorp Pipeline, Inc.

Case No. GM-2001-585



Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter are the original and eight (8) copies of:

- 1. The Request of the Municipal Gas Commission of Missouri, the Cities of Cuba, Richland, St. James, Sullivan, and Waynesville, Missouri and Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc. for Leave to File a Brief as an Amicus Curiae.
- The Amicus Brief of the Municipal Gas Commission of Missouri, the Cities of Cuba, Richland, St. James, Sullivan, and Waynesville, Missouri and Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc.

Please kindly acknowledge receipt of this filing by stamping as filed a copy of this letter and returning it to the undersigned in the enclosed, self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely.

Duncan E. Kincheloe

General Manager and CEO

Enclosures

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was served on the following parties of record via U.S. First-Class Mail on this 18th day of September, 2001:

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REQUEST OF THE MUNICIPAL GAS COMMISSION OF MISSOURI, THE CITIES OF CUBA, RICHLAND, ST.JAMES, SULLIVAN, AND WAYNESVILLE, MISSOURI AND FIDELITY NATURAL GAS, INC. FOR LEAVE TO FILE A BRIEF AS AN AMICUS CURIAE

COMES NOW the Municipal Gas Commission of Missouri (MGCM), the Cities of Cuba, Richland, St. James, Sullivan, and Waynesville, Missouri ("the Cities") and Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc., in accordance with 4 CSR 240-2.075 (6), requests for leave to file a brief as an amicus curiae and, in support of this Request, respectfully states as follows:

- The MGCM is a political subdivision of the State of Missouri, organized as a joint municipal utility commission pursuant to section 393.700 et seq. RSMo., with authority to exercise public powers of a body corporate and politic of the state for the benefit of the inhabitants of municipalities jointly contracting to establish the MGCM. Fourteen Missouri municipalities are current parties to the joint contract establishing the MGCM.
- 2. The Cities of Cuba, Richland, St. James, and Waynesville, Missouri all own and operate municipal gas systems that are customers of either Missouri Gas Company ("MGC"), Missouri Pipeline Company ("MPC") or both.
- 3. Fidelity is a pipeline company that provides service to the City of Sullivan that is also a customer of MGC and MPC.
- 4. Service of all pleadings, correspondence, communications and orders and decisions of the Commission should be made to counsel as follows:

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WHEREFORE, having stated its grounds for this request, the MGCM, the Cities, and Fidelity ask the Commission to enter its Request granting leave to file a brief as an amicus curiae in this case, and for such other and further relief as the Commission may deem appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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Missouri and Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc.

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Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc., a privately owned LDC in Sullivan, Missouri, hereby supports the position of the Municipal Gas Commission of Missouri in its Legal Brief submitted herewith to the Missouri Public Service Commission.

Dave Beier

Vice President-Regulatory