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Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
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RE: Case No. ER-2001-672 – In the matter of the Tariff Filing of Missouri Public Service (MPS), a Division of UtiliCorp United, Inc., to Implement a General Rate Increase for Retail Electric Service Provided to Customers in the Missouri Service Area of MPS.

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of the **STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION**.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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In the matter of the Tariff Filing of Missouri)
Public Service (MPS), a Division of UtiliCorp)
United, Inc., to Implement a General Rate Increase)
for Retail Electric Service Provided to Customers)
in the Missouri Service Area of MPS.)

Case No. ER-2001-672

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") and for its Recommendation states:

1. On February 21, 2002 the Commission issued its **Order Approving Stipulation and Agreement** with an effective date of February 28, 2002 in which the Commission ordered "[t]hat UtiliCorp United, Inc., shall file, no later than the 15th working day after the effective date of this Order, proposed tariff sheets in compliance with the Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement approved herein."

2. UtiliCorp United, Inc. filed those proposed tariff sheets on February 28, 2002. In the attached Memorandum (Appendix A), Staff recommends that the Commission issue an Order (1) approving the following proposed tariff sheets that UtiliCorp United, Inc. filed on February 28, 2002 and (2) making those tariff sheets effective March 21, 2002:

P.S.C. MO. No. 2, Electric Rates

12 th	Revised SHEET NO. 1	Cancelling 11 th	Revised SHEET NO. 1
4 th	Revised SHEET NO. 2	Cancelling 3 rd	Revised SHEET NO. 2
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4 th	Revised SHEET NO. 9	Cancelling 3 rd	Revised SHEET NO. 9
4 th	Revised SHEET NO. 10	Cancelling 3 rd	Revised SHEET NO. 10
4 th	Revised SHEET NO. 12	Cancelling 3 rd	Revised SHEET NO. 12
4 th	Revised SHEET NO. 13	Cancelling 3 rd	Revised SHEET NO. 13
3 rd	Revised SHEET NO. 15	Cancelling 2 nd	Revised SHEET NO. 15

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4 th	Revised SHEET NO. 19	Cancelling	3 rd	Revised SHEET NO. 19
4 th	Revised SHEET NO. 21	Cancelling	3 rd	Revised SHEET NO. 21
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3 rd	Revised SHEET NO. 63	Cancelling	2 nd	Revised SHEET NO. 63
1 st	Revised SHEET NO. 66	Cancelling		Original SHEET NO. 66
2 nd	Revised SHEET NO. 68	Cancelling	1 st	Revised SHEET NO. 68
1 st	Revised SHEET NO. 70	Cancelling		Original SHEET NO. 70
1 st	Revised SHEET NO. 73	Cancelling		Original SHEET NO. 73
1 st	Revised SHEET NO. 74	Cancelling		Original SHEET NO. 74

P.S.C. MO. NO. 2, ELECTRIC RULES AND REGULATIONS

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3 rd	Revised SHEET NO. R-36	Cancelling	2 nd	Revised SHEET NO. R-36
3 rd	Revised SHEET NO. R-37	Cancelling	2 nd	Revised SHEET NO. R-37
1 st	Revised SHEET NO. R-37.4	Cancelling		Original SHEET NO. R-37.4
1 st	Revised SHEET NO. R-37.6	Cancelling		Original SHEET NO. R-37.6
2 nd	Revised SHEET NO. R-39	Cancelling	1 st	Revised SHEET NO. R-39
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2. The Energy Department Staff has reviewed the tariff sheets UtiliCorp filed, and is of the opinion that they were filed in a timely manner and are in compliance with the

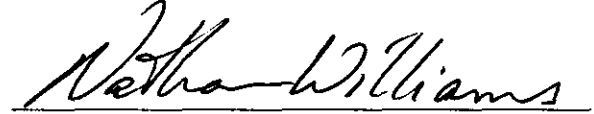
Commission's Order Approving Stipulation and Agreement issued February 21, 2002 in Case No. ER-2001-672.

3. In approving the Unanimous Stipulation And Agreement the Commission authorized UtiliCorp to file tariff sheets having an effective date of less than thirty days, without the necessity of UtiliCorp filing a separate motion seeking such authorization. The Commission is authorized to allow tariff changes on less than thirty days' notice under such conditions as it may prescribe where good cause is shown. Section 393.140(11) RSMo 2000. The implementation of a revenue reduction of \$4.25 million annually through tariff changes the utility has agreed to establishes the requisite good cause to allow the tariff changes to go into effect on less than thirty days' notice.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order (1) approving the tariff sheets filed by UtiliCorp United Inc. d/b/a Missouri Public Service on February 28, 2002, Tariff File No. 200200712, and (2) making them effective March 21, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

DANA K. JOYCE
General Counsel

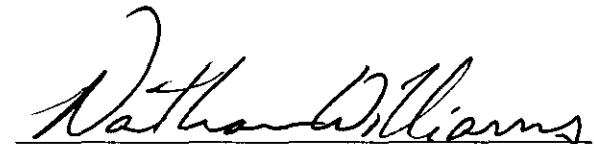
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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 8th day of March 2002.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nathan Williams", written in black ink.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File
Case No. ER-2001-672, File No. 200200712,
Missouri Public Service, a division of UtiliCorp United, Inc.

FROM: James Watkins, Regulatory Economist III, Project Coordinator
Mack McDuffey, Rate & Tariff Examiner II ²⁰⁰¹

James Watkins 3/7/02 Steven Roth 3/8/02 NW 3/8/02
Project Coordinator/Date General Counsel's Office/Date

SUBJECT: Staff Recommendation For **Approval** Of Tariff Sheets Filed To Comply With
The Commission's February 21, 2002 Order Approving Stipulation And
Agreement

DATE: March 7, 2002

On February 28, 2002, UtiliCorp United, Inc. d/b/a Missouri Public Service (MPS) filed with the Commission forty-eight (48) tariff sheets with an issue date of February 28, 2002 and a proposed effective date of March 21, 2002 designed to comply with Commission Order Approving Stipulation And Agreement (Order). The Stipulation and Agreement is designed to reduce MPS's revenues from its current rates by \$4.25 million annually.

Unless the Commission authorizes otherwise, tariff rates or charges are to become effective only after thirty (30) days' notice. The Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement approved by the Commission provides that, without the necessity of having to file a separate motion for leave to shorten the effective date, MPS is to reduce revenues by filing tariff sheets with an effective date no later than fifteen (15) working days after the effective date of the Commission's Order approving the Unanimous Stipulation and Agreement.

The Missouri Public Service Commission Energy Department Staff (Staff) has reviewed the filed tariff sheets and is of the opinion that they were filed in a timely manner; are as agreed in the Unanimous Stipulation And Agreement; and are in compliance with the Commission's Order.

Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing. Staff therefore recommends that the Commission issue an order approving the following proposed tariff sheets, as filed on February 28, 2002, to become effective on March 21, 2002:

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