BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Summit Natural Gas of) Missouri, Inc., Changes to the) Company's Purchased Gas) Adjustment "PGA" Clause

Case No. GR-2024-0157

STAFF'S REPLY AND RECOMMENDATION APPROVING SUMMIT NATURAL GAS OF MISSOURI, INC.'S 2022-2023 ACTUAL COST ADJUSTMENT BALANCES

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, hereby submits *Staff's Reply and Recommendation Approving Summit Natural Gas of Missouri Inc.'s ("Summit") 2022-2023 Actual Cost Adjustment ("ACA") Balances*, and further states as follows:

1. On December 12, 2024, Staff filed its recommendation regarding Summit's ACA filing.

2. On December 16, 2024, the Commission issued an *Order Directing Response* to Summit; wherein, ordering Summit to respond to Staff's Recommendation no later than January 15, 2025.

3. On January 15, 2025, Summit filed its *Response to Commission Order*, wherein, Summit accepted Staff's analysis and recommendations with the exception of Staff's proposed ACA balances, due to a slight discrepancy in the ending balance for the Warsaw service area. Summit indicated the discrepancy was a result of a billing correction for a large commercial customer that was inadvertently excluded in the billing records shared with Staff. Summit further stated that it had provided documentation to Staff supporting the corrected balance for Warsaw and submitted suggested ACA balances to the Commission.

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4. On January 15, 2025, the Commission issued an *Order Directing Responses* and ordered Staff to respond to Summit's response no later than January 24, 2025.

5. Staff has reviewed Summit's Response to Commission Order and documentation provided by Summit, and Staff is in agreement with Summit's ending ACA Balance.

6. Staff recommends approval of the new ending balance for the current ACA period 2022-2023 as shown below:

August 31, 2023 Ending ACA Balance								
Rogersville/Branson		Reported		Adjustments	Staf	f Recommended		
Regular ACA	S	529,299.85	S	1,211,024.17	S	1,740,324.02		
Storm Uri ACA	S	15,716,721.35	S	(654,422.85)	S	15,062,298.50		
Total ACA	S	16,246,021.20	\$	556,601.32	\$	16,802,622.52		
Warsaw/LOO	s	254 870 00	ç	(50 422 66)	ç	205 426 24		
Regular ACA		354,870.00	S	(59,433.66)		295,436.34		
Storm Uri ACA	S	5,443,779.46	S	117,154.13	S	5,560,933.59		
Total ACA	S	5,798,649.46	S	57,720.47	S	5,856,369.93		
Gallatin								
Regular ACA	S	(342,695.00)	S	38,870.00	S	(303,825.00)		
Storm Uri ACA	S	427,389.00	S	(47,456.00)	S	379,933.00		
Total ACA	\$	84,694.00	S	(8,586.00)	S	76,108.00		

A positive ACA balance indicates an under-collection that must be recovered from customers. A negative ACA balance indicates an over-recovery that must be returned to customers.

7. There are no remaining issues that may require a procedural schedule and such matter can be closed upon an Order approving Summit's 2022-2023 final ACA balances addressed in paragraph 6 above. WHEREFORE, Staff submits its Staff Reply and Recommendation to Approve ACA Balances, and for the reasons stated above Staff respectfully recommends the Commission issue an order approving Summit's ACA balances as set forth in paragraph 6 above; close this case file; and any other relief as is just and reasonable under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ J. Scott Stacey

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ATTORNEY FOR STAFF OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been transmitted by electronic mail to counsel of record this 23rd day of January 24, 2025.

/s/ J. Scott Stacey

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AFFIDAVIT OF DAVID T. BUTTIG, PE

STATE OF MISSOURI)	
)	ss.
COUNTY OF COLE)	

COMES NOW DAVID T. BUTTIG, PE, and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the foregoing *Staff's Reply and Recommendationm*; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

DAVID T. BUTTIG, PE

JURAT

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 23^{nd} day of January 2025.

DIANNA L. VAUGHT Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Cole County My Commission Expires: July 18, 2027 Commission Number: 15207377

Notary Public

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Case No. GR-2024-0157

AFFIDAVIT OF KWANG Y. CHOE, PhD

STATE OF MISSOURI).	
)	SS.
COUNTY OF COLE)	

COMES NOW KWANG Y. CHOE, PhD and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the foregoing *Staff's Reply and Recommendation*; and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

KWANG Ý. CHOE, PhD

JURAT

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 23^{rd} day of January 2025.

Dianna L. Vaunt-Notary Public)

DIANNA L. VAUGHT Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Cole County My Commission Expires: July 18, 2027 Commission Number: 15207377

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AFFIDAVIT OF LISA SCHLUP

STATE OF MISSOURI)	
)	SS.
COUNTY OF COLE)	

COMES NOW LISA SCHLUP, and on her oath declares that she is of sound mind and lawful age; that she contributed to the foregoing Staff's Reply and Recommendation; and that the same is true and correct according to her best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

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JURAT

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 22.1 day of January 2025.

Dranne L. Vault-Notary Public

DIANNA L. VAUGHT Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Cole County My Commission Expires: July 18, 2027 Commission Number: 15207377