

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY**

August 21, 2001

CASE NO: GO-2001-249

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of an Investigation into Various)
Issues Related to UtiliCorp United Inc.'s Gas) **Case No. GO-2001-249**
Supply Services Department.)

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

On June 5, 2001, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), together with UtiliCorp United Inc., doing business as Missouri Public Service, and the Office of the Public Counsel, moved to extend the deadline for discovery herein, and the due date for Staff's report, to August 31, 2001. There being no objection, the motion was granted.

On August 8, 2001, Staff moved for a further partial extension until September 30, 2001. On August 16, 2001, UtiliCorp responded that it had no objection. Public Counsel did not respond at all. Therefore, the motion shall be granted. However, the Commission prefers that Staff file only one report and that all of it be filed at the same time. Therefore, the Commission shall extend the deadline for discovery and for Staff's report herein until September 30, 2001.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Staff's Request for Partial Extension of Report Filing Date, filed on August 8, 2001, is granted as herein modified.
2. That the procedural schedule previously adopted for this case is modified as follows:

Discovery Cutoff and
Staff Report

September 30, 2001
4:00 p.m.

Responses to Staff's Report
All Parties

October 29, 2001
4:00 p.m.

3. That this order shall become effective on August 31, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief
Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation
of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 21st day of August, 2001.

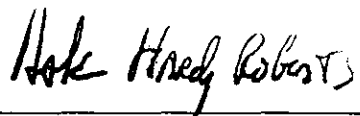
STATE OF MISSOURI

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 21st day of August 2001.





Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge