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TRUE-UP DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

TED ROBERTSON

Submitted on Behalf of
the Office of the Public Counsel

MISSOURI GAS ENERGY

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8 I. INTRODUCTION

9 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.

10 A. Ted Robertson, P. O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

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12 Q. ARE YOU THE SAME TED ROBERTSON THAT HAS PREVIOUSLY FILED TESTIMONY IN THIS
13 CASE?

14 A. Yes.

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16 Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TRUE-UP DIRECT TESTIMONY?

17 A. The purpose of my testimony is to provide the Public Counsel's position on the issue of rate case
18 expense in the true-up.

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20 Q. PLEASE CONTINUE.

21 A. During the true-up period Company booked to USAO Account No. 186 additional expense of
22 approximately \$229,963.80.

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24 Q. WHAT IS THE PUBLIC COUNSEL'S RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE COSTS BOOKED?

25 A. Public Counsel recommends that the costs incurred, excluding those for legal representation and
26 outside consultants, be normalized over three years.

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28 Q. IS IT EXPECTED THAT COMPANY WILL INCUR ANY ADDITIONAL RATE CASE EXPENSE
29 GOING FORWARD IN THE CURRENT CASE?

30 A. Yes. Company provided Public Counsel with an e-mail on 11/19/2009 wherein it stated it has
31 already incurred approximately another \$344,770.90 and it also estimates that it will incur an

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1 additional \$90,000 for the services of its legal representatives and an outside consultant before the
2 case is finished.

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4 Q. WHAT IS THE PUBLIC COUNSEL'S POSITION ON THE ADDITIONAL COSTS ALREADY
5 INCURRED?

6 A. Public Counsel recommends that the costs incurred, excluding those for legal representation and
7 outside consultants, be normalized over three years.

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9 Q. DOES PUBLIC COUNSEL ALSO RECOMMEND DISALLOWANCE OF THE ESTIMATED
10 ADDITIONAL COSTS?

11 A. Yes. It is the Public Counsel's position that all of the costs associated with the legal representation
12 and outside consultants should be disallowed. Plus, the costs are not known and measurable at this
13 time.

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15 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TRUE-UP DIRECT TESTIMONY?

16 A. Yes, it does.