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Missouri Public Service Commission

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Missouri Public Service Commission
200 Madison Street, Suite 100
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0360

RE: Case No. GR-2001-292, Missouri Gas Energy

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter, please find an original and eight (8) conformed copies of Missouri Gas Energy's Notice.

A copy of this filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to counsel of record.

Thank you for bringing this matter to the attention of the Commission. Please call me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely

C: F. Jay Cummings

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Enclosures

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the matter of Missouri Gas Energy's)	
tariff sheets designed to increase rates)	Case No. GR-2001-292
for gas service in the company's Missouri)	
service area.)	

MISSOURI GAS ENERGY'S NOTICE

Comes now Missouri Gas Energy ("MGE"), a division of Southern Union Company, by and through counsel, and hereby notifies the Commission and the parties that the Notice of Local Public Hearings will be in the form appended hereto as Attachment 1.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document was mailed or hand delivered this 22^{nd} day of February, 2001, to:

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To reflect increases in the cost of providing service, Missouri Gas Energy (MGE) has filed revised tariffs with the Missouri Public Service Commission (PSC) which would increase MGE's natural gas revenues by \$39.3 million on an annual basis, or approximately 11.56 %. For the average Residential customer, the proposed increase would be approximately \$5.20 per month, or approximately 10.95%. For the average Small General Service customer, the proposed increase would be approximately \$8.69 per month, or approximately 7.34%. The PSC has set local public hearings to receive customer comments on MGE's rate case. Hearings will commence at the time indicated.

Blue Springs: -- Wednesday, May 2, 2001, 12:00 p.m., Jackson County Parks and Recreation, Fleming Hall, 21906 Woods Chapel Road

Kansas City: --- Wednesday, May 2, 2001, 6:00 p.m., Jackson County Courthouse, Kansas City Legislative Assembly Area, 415 East 12th Street

St. Joseph: ----- Wednesday, May 2, 2001, 6:00 p.m., City Hall, City Council Chambers, 11th and Frederick

Monett: ------ Thursday, May 3, 2001, 3:00 p.m., City of Monett, Casino Building, South Park, Highway 37 and 60

Joplin: ----- Thursday, May 3, 2001, 6:30 p.m., Missouri Southern State College, Matthews Hall Auditorium, 3950 East Newman Road

If you wish to comment or secure additional information, you may contact MGE at (816) 360-5980, or by e-mailing us at MGErates@southernunionco.com. You also may contact the Office of the Public Counsel at (573) 751-4857, or by e-mail at 222.mo-opc.org. This hearing will be held in a building that meets accessibility standards required by the Americans With Disabilities Act. Any person needing additional accommodations to participate in this hearing may call the Public Service Commission's hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (Customer Services Hotline) or 1-800-829-7541 (TDD Hotline) prior to the meeting.

Rates from this case are not expected to change until October 2001.

Attachment 1