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**RE: Case No. GR-2001-292**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a **STAFF 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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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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Missouri Public  
Service Commission

In the Matter of Tariff Revisions of )  
Missouri Gas Energy, a Division of )  
Southern Union Company, Designed to )  
Increase Rates for Natural Gas Service to )  
Customers in the Missouri Service Area of )  
the Company.

Case No. GR-2001-292

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff ("Staff") of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") in the above-captioned matter and for its recommendation states as follows:

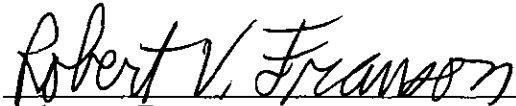
1. On October 1, 2001, Missouri Gas Energy, a division of Southern Union Company ("Company") filed tariff sheets with the Commission with an effective date of November 1, 2001. The filing was made to comply with the sections of the Commission's Order Approving the Second Revised Stipulation and Agreement dealing with the Company's Experimental Low Income Rate (ELIR).

2. Staff has reviewed the proposed tariff sheets, and recommends that it be approved effective November 1, 2001. The recommendation of the Gas Department -- Tariffs/Rate Design Staff is attached as Attachment A hereto.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission approve the proposed tariff sheets.

Respectfully submitted,

DANA K. JOYCE  
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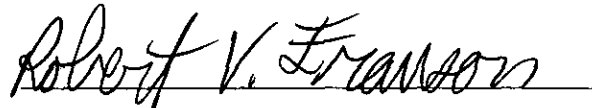


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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2001.



**UTILITY OPERATIONS DIVISION ROUTING SLIP  
BY DELEGATION**

Case No. GR-2001-292  
File No. 200200242

<b>To:</b>	<b>Initial</b>	<b>Assigned:</b>	October 3, 2001		
		<b>From:</b>	<b>Initial</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Revised</b>
Chair Simmons	_____	Mr. Warren	<i>EW</i>	<i>10/24/01</i>	_____
Commissioner Murray	_____	Mr. Imhoff	<i>WIM</i>	<i>10/25/01</i>	_____
Commissioner Lumpe	_____	Mr. Wood	<i>WW</i>	<i>10/25/01</i>	_____
Commissioner Gaw	_____	Mr. Schwarz	<i>RS</i>	<i>10/25/01</i>	_____
Agenda Date: <b>BY DELEGATION</b>		Staff Deadline:	October 25, 2001		
Final Agenda: October 30, 2001					
<b>Commission Action:</b>		<b>Staff Recommends:</b>			
Approve _____	Suspend _____	Approval <u>  X  </u>	Suspension _____		

Company: Missouri Gas Energy  
Received Date: October 1, 2001  
Effective Date: November 1, 2001  
Purpose: Compliance Filing in Case No. GR-2001-292

On October 1, 2001, Missouri Gas Energy, A division of Southern Union Company (MGE or Company) filed tariff sheets bearing a proposed effective date of November 1, 2001.

These tariffs were filed to comply with the Commission's Order Approving Second Revised Stipulation and Agreement (Order). This Order provides that MGE should be authorized to receive a revenue increase in the amount of \$9,892,228 exclusive of funding for the experimental low-income rate proposed in the stipulation and agreement, and exclusive of gross receipts taxes or taxes or fees of a similar nature. The stipulation and agreement contains numerous other provisions to resolve disputed issues between the parties, including a provision requiring that MGE's Experimental Low Income Rate (ELIR) should go into effect no later than November 1, 2001. The provisions in this tariff are the result of extensive discussions and consensus among MGE, Staff, and the Office of Public Counsel.

The Commission's Energy Department Staff has reviewed this filing and is unaware of any issue currently pending before the Commission that affects or is affected by this filing. Staff is of the opinion that good cause exists for approval of these tariff sheets. Staff therefore recommends approval of the following tariff sheets, as filed on October 1, 2001 with an effective date of November 1, 2001:

P.S.C. MO. No. 1

Third Revised Sheet No. 2, canceling Second Revised Sheet No. 2  
Original Sheet No. 103  
Original Sheet No. 103.1  
Original Sheet No. 103.2  
Original Sheet No. 103.3

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