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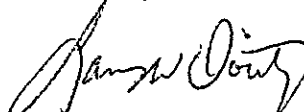
RE: Case No. GT-2001-329

Dear Mr. Roberts:

This letter is filed in the above-referenced matter in response to the Order Directing Filing and Second Order Directing Filing issued June 7, 2001. As the Commission's Order of May 3, 2001 reflects, Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc., Atmos Energy Corporation and Southern Missouri Gas Company filed a joint response in opposition to Staff's motion on April 24, 2001. These local distribution companies did not seek, nor did the Commission's Order of May 3 grant, intervention in this matter. Accordingly, this letter is intended to clarify that fact.

Although these companies are not parties to this proceeding, I am happy to file the above-referenced joint motion electronically with the Regulatory Law Judge in response to the Second Order Directing Filing. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact the undersigned counsel. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Larry W. DORITY

cc: Counsel of Record
Hon. Bill Hopkins, Senior Regulatory Law Judge
(via e-mail w/ pleading attached)

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