

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

**April 6, 2001**

**CASE NO: GR-2001-388**

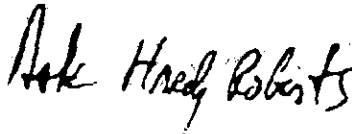
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**Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).**

Sincerely,

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**Dale Hardy Roberts**  
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**  
**OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Southern Missouri Gas       )  
Company, L.P.'s Purchased Gas Adjustment   )  
Factors to be Reviewed in Its 2000-2001     )  
Actual Cost Adjustment                       )

Case No. GR-2001-388

**ORDER ESTABLISHING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

This order approves the proposed procedural schedule filed by the parties.

On April 3, 2001, all of the parties jointly filed their proposed procedural schedule in compliance with the order of the Missouri Public Service Commission issued February 27, 2001.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed procedural schedule and finds the dates appropriate, establishes a procedural schedule, and finds that these conditions should be applied:

(A) The Commission will require the prefiling of testimony as defined in Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.130. All parties shall comply with this rule, including the requirement that testimony be filed on line-numbered pages. The practice of prefiling testimony is designed to give parties notice of the claims, contentions and evidence in issue and to avoid unnecessary objections and delays caused by allegations of unfair surprise at the hearing.

(B) Pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.130(15), testimony and schedules shall not be filed under seal and treated as proprietary or highly confidential unless the Commission has first established a

protective order. Any testimony or schedule filed without a protective order first being established shall be considered public information.

(C) The parties shall agree upon and the Staff shall file a list of the issues to be heard, the witnesses to appear on each day of the hearing and the order in which they shall be called, and the order of cross-examination for each witness. Any issue not contained in this list of issues will be viewed as uncontested and not requiring resolution by the Commission.

(D) Each party shall file a statement of its position on each disputed issue. Such statement shall be simple and concise, and shall not contain argument about why the party believes its position to be the correct one.

(E) The Commission's general policy provides for the filing of the transcript within two weeks after the hearing. If any party seeks to expedite the filing of the transcript, such request shall be tendered in writing to the regulatory law judge at least five days prior to the date of the hearing.

(F) All pleadings, briefs and amendments shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080. Briefs shall follow the same list of issues as filed in the case and shall set forth and cite the proper portions of the record concerning the remaining unresolved issues that are to be decided by the Commission.

(G) All parties are required to bring an adequate number of copies of exhibits which they intend to offer into evidence at the hearing. If an exhibit has been prefiled, only three copies of the exhibit are necessary for the court reporter. If an exhibit has not been prefiled, the party offering it should bring, in addition to the three copies for the court reporter, copies for the five Commissioners, the regulatory law judge, and all counsel.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

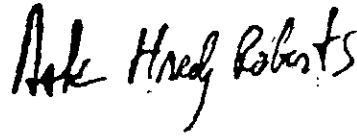
1. That the following procedural schedule is established for this case:

Company submits audit info	November 1, 2001
Company responds to DRs	November 15, 2001
Staff Recommendation	July 15, 2002
Company Response	August 14, 2002
Direct Testimony	September 17, 2002
Rebuttal Testimony	October 16, 2002
Issue List	October 23, 2002
Position Statement	October 30, 2002
Surrebuttal Testimony	November 13, 2002
Evidentiary Hearing	November 18, 2002 8:00 a.m.

2. That the evidentiary hearing will be in Room 310 (the large hearing room) in the offices of the Missouri Public Service Commission in Jefferson City, Missouri, located on the main floor of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street. The Governor Office Building meets the accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If any person needs additional accommodations to participate in this hearing, please call the Missouri Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or 1-800-829-7541 (TDD) prior to the hearing.

3. That this order shall become effective on April 16, 2001.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

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**Dale Hardy Roberts  
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

(S E A L)

Bill Hopkins, Senior Regulatory Law  
Judge, by delegation of authority under  
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 6th day of April, 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 6<sup>th</sup> day of April 2001.

*Dale Hardy Roberts*

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**Dale Hardy Roberts**  
**Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

