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Missouri Public PREPARED SURREBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF Service Commission MICHAEL R. NOACK

May 15, 1998

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's tariff sheets designed increase rates for gas service the Company's Missouri service area.	
AFFIDAVIT OF	MICHAEL R. NOACK
STATE OF KANSAS) ss COUNTY OF JOHNSON)	
That he has reviewed the attach and answer form, all to be pres answers in the attached written he has knowledge of the matters	lawful age, on his oath states: ed written testimony in question ented in the above case, that the testimony were given by him; that set forth in such answers; that st of his knowledge, information
Subscribed and sworn to before Theresa Patterson, Notary Public Notary Seal	me this 14th day of May, 1998.
Jackson County, State of Missouri My Commission Expires: May 29, 2001	Notary Public

My Commission expires: $\frac{Way 29.2001}{1}$

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PREPARED REBUTTAL TESTIMONY OF MICHAEL R. NOACK

- Q. Please state your name and business address.
- A. Michael R. Noack, 8826 Santa Fe Drive, Suite 304, Overland Park, Kansas 66212.

- Q. Are you the same Michael R. Noack who previously submitted prepared direct and rebuttal testimony in this proceeding?
- 7 A. Yes, I am.

- Q. What is the purpose of this surrebuttal testimony?
- A. I will respond to statements in rebuttal testimony of MGE witnesses Cummings and Langston, Public Counsel witnesses Kind, Hall and Hong Hu, and Staff witness Beck.

Q. Do you agree with Dr. Cummings on page 26 of his rebuttal testimony where he states that LVS customers currently can be either sales or transport customers and thus the gas inventory component of rate base should be allocated to the LVS class?

A. No I do not. On page 30 of his rebuttal testimony he states that the company is proposing to make LVS exclusively a transportation tariff and in fact MGE has made adjustments to reclassify revenue from sales customers in the LVS class

to the LGS class. Under those circumstances the gas inventory component should not be allocated to the LVS class.

- Q. Dr. Cummings on page 28 of his rebuttal testimony discussed his disagreement with your argument that the customers should pay customer charges applicable to their class status before becoming transportation customers. Do you agree with this testimony?
- A. No, I do not. Dr. Cummings has misunderstood my testimony.

 He appears to believe I am suggesting that transportation service be extended to the SGS or LGS class and that is not my testimony.

My testimony relates to those few transportation customers on the MGE system which have multiple meters serving a contiguous location such as Central Missouri State University with 15 or UMKC with 5. In each of those cases, the customer has available to them the opportunity to aggregate usage in order to transport gas under MGE's contiguous property language in its transportation tariff. In order to transport, however, each additional meter which is added to the transportation contract has to have two things done to it: first, a \$5,000 EGM meter has to be stuck on top of the existing meter at the customer's expense; and secondly,