OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Missouri Gas)
Energy, a Division of Southern Union Company,)
For a Certificate of Public Convenience and)
Necessity Authorizing It to Construct, Install, Own,)
Operate, Control, Manage, and Maintain a Natural) Case No. GA-2008-0086
Gas Distribution System to Provide Gas Service in)
Carroll County, Missouri, as an Expansion of Its)
Existing Certified Area.)

ORDER EXTENDING TIME FOR STAFF TO FILE RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: November 7, 2007 Effective Date: November 7, 2007

On September 20, 2007, Missouri Gas Energy, a division of Southern Union Company (MGE), filed an application requesting a certificate of convenience and necessity to expand its existing service area to provide service to the proposed Show Me Ethanol Plant that is to be built near Carrollton in Carroll County, Missouri. On October 18, the Commission ordered its Staff to file a recommendation regarding MGE's application no later than November 16.

On November 6, MGE filed a motion explaining that it is no longer certain the proposed ethanol plant will utilize natural gas for its energy supply. If the plant does not use natural gas, MGE will not need to expand its service area and the application before the Commission will become unnecessary. MGE expects the situation to be resolved within the next sixty days, but asks the Commission to extend the date by which Staff

has been ordered to file its recommendation to avoid any wasted effort by Staff or the Commission.

MGE's Motion for Extension is reasonable, and it will be granted.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Missouri Gas Energy's Motion for Extension is granted.
- 2. The Commission's Staff shall file its recommendation regarding Missouri Gas Energy's application for a certificate of convenience and necessity to serve an expanded area no later than January 15, 2008.
 - 3. This order shall become effective on November 7, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Morris L. Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 7th day of November, 2007.