

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

In the Matter of the Application of)	
Ozark Energy Partners, LLC for a)	
Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity)	
to Construct and Operate an Intrastate Natural Gas)	Case No. GA-2006-0561
Pipeline and Gas Utility to Serve Portions of the)	
Missouri Counties of Christian, Stone and Taney,)	
and for Establishment of Utility Rates.)	

MOTION TO RESCHEDULE PREHEARING

COMES NOW Ozark Energy Partners, LLC ("Ozark" or "Applicant"), and moves the Commission to reschedule the prehearing conference in this case, which is currently set for Tuesday, September 12, 2006. In support of its motion, Ozark states as follows:

1. On June 30, 2006, Applicant filed its Application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity in this case. On July 5, 2006, the Commission issued its *Order and Notice* in this case, setting an intervention deadline and directing Staff to file a recommendation on or before September 5, 2006.

2. On August 15, 2006, leave to intervene in this case was granted to Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc., Missouri Gas Energy and Alliance Gas Energy Corporation.

3. On August 11, 2006, Staff filed a *Staff Motion to Modify Order to File Staff Recommendation and to Establish Prehearing Conference*, requesting that the requirement of filing a Staff Recommendation be set aside and that a prehearing conference be scheduled in this case. Applicant supported Staff's Motion in a pleading filed on August 21, 2006.

4. On September 1, 2006, the Commission granted Staff's Motion of August 11. In its *Order Granting Staff's Motion to Modify Order and Order Establishing*

Prehearing Conference, the Commission set aside the September 5, 2006 deadline for the filing of a Staff Recommendation, and ordered that a prehearing conference be held in this case on September 12, 2006.

5. Unfortunately, key personnel of, and consultants to, Applicant, Ozark Energy Partners, LLC, whose participation in the conference is essential, have scheduling conflicts with the September 12, 2006 prehearing conference. In the meantime, Ozark is continuing to develop the additional information that is required in order to complete its Application in this case.

6. For these reasons, Applicant, Ozark Energy Partners, LLC respectfully requests that the Commission cancel the prehearing conference currently set for September 12, 2006, until a date to be determined. Applicant will be pleased to consult with the other parties to the case to find a recommended alternative date to recommend to the Commission for the prehearing conference. If the Commission wishes to set a date certain for the parties to file a proposed prehearing conference date, Applicant suggests September 25, 2006 for that purpose.

WHEREFORE, Ozark Energy Partners, LLC respectfully requests that the Commission issue an Order canceling the prehearing conference herein, currently set for September 12, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing document has been served electronically on the General Counsel's Office, the Office of the Public Counsel, and counsel for each intervenor, on this 7th day of September 2006.

/s/ William D. Steinmeier

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