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) Case No. GA-2006-0561
Intrastate Natural Gas Pipeline and Gas Utility)
to Serve Portions of the Missouri Counties of)
Christian, Stone and Taney, and for)
Establishment of Utility Rates.)

STATUS UPDATE

COMES NOW Ozark Energy Partners, LLC (hereinafter, "Applicant" or "Ozark"), by and through counsel, and files this *Status Update* in response to the *Order Directing Status Update* issued in this case on July 26, 2007. As its *Status Update*, Ozark states the following:

- 1. The *Order Directing Status Update* states that there has been "no action in this matter since April 6, 2007." Although that statement is accurate in terms of official filings in the case, there has been considerable ongoing activity.
- 2. Since April 6, 2007, there has been ongoing discovery and other communications among Ozark, Staff and the Office of Public Counsel. Ozark is in the process of finalizing information requested by Staff, as well as an expert report.
- 3. Ozark Energy Partners has discussed a new procedural schedule in this case with Staff, and will be filing a proposed procedural schedule with the Commission shortly. Ozark is anxious to move its Application in this case forward as expeditiously as possible.

WHEREFORE, Ozark Energy Partners, LLC, hereby submits this *Status Update* to the Commission.

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 $10^{\rm th}$ day of August 2007.

/s/ William D. Steinmeier

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