

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of )  
Southern Union Company d/b/a )  
Missouri Gas Energy, Sigma Acquisition )  
Corporation and Energy Transfer Equity, L.P. for ) **File No. GM-2011-0412**  
An Order Authorizing Them to Perform in )  
Accordance with a Merger Agreement and to )  
Undertake Related Transactions )

## ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: November 21, 2011

Effective Date: November 21, 2011

On July 13, 2011, Southern Union Company, d/b/a Missouri Gas Energy, Sigma Acquisition Corporation, and Energy Transfer Equity, L.P. filed an application asking the Commission to approve a merger in which Southern Union Company would merge with Energy Transfer Equity, L.P. The Applicants filed an amended application on September 15, and direct testimony on October 28. Before acting on the application, the Commission will require a recommendation from its Staff.

### THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. No later than December 6, 2011, Staff shall file either its recommendation regarding the proposed merger, or a status report indicating when it will be able to file its recommendation.
2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

( S E A L )

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Steven C. Reed  
Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2011.