BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of)	
Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P.)	File No. GR-2010-0347
Request for a Small Company Rate Increase)	

ORDER DIRECTING FILING OF REPLY

Issue Date: January 5, 2011 Effective Date: January 5, 2011

The Missouri Public Service Commission is ordering the Office of Public Counsel ("OPC") to file a reply to Southern Missouri Gas Company's Reply to Public Counsel's Response and Response to Order Directing Filing ("response").

The response addresses the *Public Counsel's Motion to Compel and Alternative Motion to Dismiss*, ("motion"). In the motion, OPC seeks enforcement of discovery. The discovery relates to OPC's charge that the previous owners of Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P. paid too much for certain assets, which may lead to rates that are higher than what is just and reasonable. In the response, the Company denied OPC's charge, but stated that it was delivering certain of the requested documents nonetheless.

In the reply, OPC shall set forth the discovery still at issue, and may address the arguments in the Company's response.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Not later than January 12, 2011, the Office of Public Counsel shall file a reply as described in the body of this order.

2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

(SEAL)

Steven C. Reed Secretary

Daniel Jordan, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 5th day of January, 2011.