

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's Application)
for a Determination of Certain Matters Pertaining to)
its Safety Line Replacement Program) **Case No. GO-2002-48**

ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO INVESTIGATE AND REPORT

Issue Date: October 26, 2005

Effective Date: October 26, 2005

On September 15, 2005, Missouri Gas Energy filed an application asking the Commission to amend the company's safety line replacement program. Specifically, MGE asked that the Commission delay by four years its requirement that MGE replace the mains and service lines at two trailer parks. The Commission's Staff recommended that the Commission approve MGE's application. However, the Commission has questions about whether the safety of the residents of these two trailer parks would be sufficiently protected if replacement of the mains and service lines is delayed by four years.

So that its questions might be answered, the Commission will direct its Staff to conduct a further investigation and to report its findings to the Commission. Specifically, the Commission directs its Staff to speak with the owners of the two affected trailer parks to determine whether the trailer parks are indeed likely to close within the four-year extension requested by MGE. Staff should also determine whether the owners of the trailer parks want MGE to replace the mains and service lines on their property. In addition, Staff is directed to contact the City of Ozark to determine the city's intentions regarding Finley River

Mobile Home Park. Furthermore, Staff shall explain in more detail its conclusion that the safety of the residents can be protected through the implementation of a six-month leak detection survey schedule.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That not later than November 30, 2005, the Staff of the Commission shall file a supplemental report and recommendation regarding Missouri Gas Energy's Application to Amend Safety Line Replacement Program.
2. That this order shall become effective on October 26, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 26th day of October, 2005.