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**RE: Case No. GR-2001-382**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a **JOINT PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's )  
Purchased Gas Adjustment Tariff )  
Revisions to be Reviewed in Its 2000- )  
2001 Actual Cost Adjustment. )

Case No. GR-2001-382

**JOINT PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

As ordered by the Commission, the parties propose the following procedural schedule for this case:

1. The Commission's February 27, 2001, order setting the prehearing conference in this case noted that the parties were to develop a procedural schedule to

... permit the completion of the normal ACA review as quickly and efficiently as possible.

The goal shall be resolution by the Commission of any contested issues by the end of the present calendar year rather than sometime in 2003 as Public Counsel warned in its request. In the event that Staff believes that this work cannot be completed by the date herein stated, Staff shall promptly so notify the Commission.

2. The parties propose the following schedule:

June 1, 2001	MGE makes its physical and financial hedging records available to all parties for audit.
August 15, 2001	MGE makes its 2000-2001 ACA books and workpapers (the typical spreadsheets that derive and support the ACA balance) supporting its ending ACA balance available to all parties for audit.
August 22, 2001	MGE answers Staff's standard DRs (forty-nine in number).
November 29, 2001	Staff and other parties file recommendations for adjustments and the bases for them in this case.

December 20, 2001	MGE files its response to Staff's recommendation.
January 24, 2002	All parties file direct testimony.
February 28, 2002	All parties file rebuttal testimony.
March 14, 2002	Parties file issues list.
March 21, 2002	Parties file position statements.
March 28, 2002	All parties file surrebuttal testimony.
April 15 to 19, 2002	Hearing.
May 3, 2002	Parties file initial briefs.
May 16, 2002	Parties file reply briefs

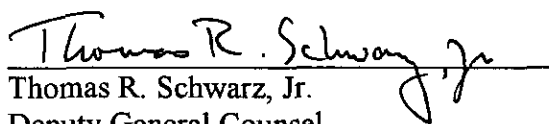
3. Testimony and work papers will be delivered in hand to other parties on the date of filing.

4. The parties note that they have asked the Commission to schedule the hearing in Case No. GR-96-450. Upon the conclusion of that case, the parties can advise the Commission on possible procedural schedules in Cases No. GR-98-167 (97-98 ACA ); GR-99-304 (98-99 ACA); and GR-2000-425 (the 99-00 ACA, in which case the Staff hereby commits that it will file its recommendation no later than November 29, 2001, or the date ultimately ordered by the Commission for the filing of the Staff's recommendation in this proceeding, Case No. GR-2001-382). Issues and adjustments with reference to the contract between MGE and Kansas Pipeline/Riverside Partnership will not be addressed in this case until resolution of the issue in GR-96-450.

WHEREFORE, the parties jointly move the Commission to adopt the procedural schedule and terms set forth above.

Respectfully submitted,

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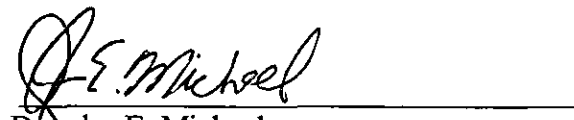
  
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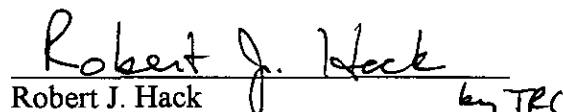
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