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RE: Case No. GT-2003-0033

Missouri Gas Energy - Experimental School Transportation Tariff Voluntary Extension of Effective Date

Dear Mr. Roberts:

The purpose of this letter is to extend the proposed effective date of the tariffs filed on August 1, 2002 in this case. The affected sheets are:

2nd Revised Sheet No. 54, Canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. 54

2nd Revised Sheet No. 55, Canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. 55

2nd Revised Sheet No. 56, Canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. 56

2nd Revised Sheet No. 57, Canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. 57

2nd Revised Sheet No. 58, Canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. 58

Original Sheet No. 58.1

Original Sheet No. 58.2

Original Sheet No. 58.3

Original Sheet No. 58.4

When filed, these sheets bore an effective date of September 24, 2002. This was more than 30 days' of advance notice, and the effective date was specifically chosen in coordination with a representative of the Missouri School Boards Association to coincide with MGE's billing cycles and to enable early implementation of the program to benefit the potential customers under the experimental program.

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Some indications have been made by the Staff that it would file a motion to suspend the effective date of the tariffs to November 1, 2002, which is the statutory deadline for the Commission to act on the experimental school transportation program established by Section 393.310 RSMo. At this time, MGE is in discussions with representatives of the Missouri School Boards Association and other interested parties regarding implementation of the tariff sheets.

Simply to avoid the necessity for a suspension order at this time, MGE voluntarily hereby extends the proposed effective date of the tariffs identified above to October 28, 2002. That date has significance in that it is the start of the MGE billing cycle. Since that is only four days before the November 1 deadline, this should not present a concern vis a vis Commission action.

This voluntary extension is being made without prejudice to MGE being able to enter into a stipulation and agreement regarding the tariff sheets which would provide for an earlier or different effective date.

Eight copies of this letter are being provided for your internal distribution purposes.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosures

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