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April 22, 2002

Mr. Dale Hardy Roberts
Public Service Commission
P. O. Box 360
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Re: Missouri Gas Energy - Case No. GO-2002-48

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding please find an original and eight copies of Missouri Gas Energy's Motion for Extension of Time. Please stamp the enclosed extra copy "filed" and return same to me.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, then please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

BRYDON, SWEARENGEN & ENGLAND P.C.

By: 
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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the matter of Missouri Gas Energy's)	
Application for determination of certain)	Case No. GO-2002-48
Matters pertaining to its Safety Line)	
Replacement program.)	

MISSOURI GAS ENERGY'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Comes now Missouri Gas Energy ("MGE"), a division of Southern Union Company, by and through counsel, and for its motion for extension of time respectfully states as follows:

1. MGE initiated this matter through the filing of an Application on or about July 30, 2001. The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") filed its recommendation herein on or about April 12, 2002.

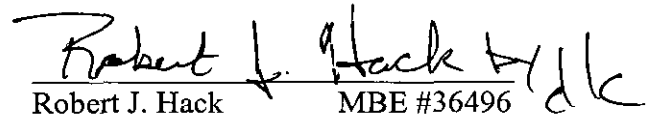
2. MGE needs a little bit more time to study and discuss the Staff recommendation and prepare its response. MGE will file its response as soon as possible and in any event no later than May 6, 2002. MGE therefore respectfully requests an extension of time, until May 6, 2002, to file its response to the Staff recommendation.

3. Counsel for MGE has discussed the contents of the pleading with counsel for the Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel and no objection has been expressed.

Wherefore, MGE respectfully requests that the Commission issue its order granting an extension of time, until May 6, 2002, for the filing of MGE's response to

the Staff recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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