

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

In the Matter of the Application of Alliance Gas )  
Energy Corporation for a Certificate of Public )  
Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to )  
Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Control, )  
Manage and Maintain a Natural Gas )  
Distribution System to Provide Gas Service in )  
Branson, Branson West, Reeds Spring, and )  
Hollister, Missouri )

**Case No. GA-2007-0168**

**APPLICATION TO INTERVENE**

COMES NOW Ozark Energy Partners, LLC (hereinafter referred to as "Ozark" or "OEP"), by and through counsel and pursuant to Section 386.420 RSMo and 4 CSR 240-2.075, and files its Application to Intervene in this case. In support of this application, Ozark states as follows:

1. Ozark is a limited liability corporation organized under the laws of the State of Missouri. Ozark's principal place of business is at 136 Kessler Drive, Walnut Shade, Missouri (MO) 65771. Its telephone number is 417-561-0415; fax number is 417-561-0415; and email address is oepllc@tri-lakes.net. Ozark is in the business of transporting and distributing natural gas to customers.
2. All communications and pleadings in this case should be served on:

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3. On October 26, 2006, Alliance Gas Energy Corporation (“Alliance”) filed an application with the Missouri Public Service Commission requesting that the Commission grant authority to Alliance to provide natural gas service to customers in Branson, Branson West, Reeds Spring and Hollister, Missouri. On November 2, 2006, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Notice and Setting Date for Submission of Intervention Requests* in this case, directing that interested parties wishing to intervene must do so on or before December 4, 2006. This Application to Intervene is, therefore, timely filed.
4. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.075 (4) (A), Ozark states that it clearly has an interest in this matter which is different from that of the general public and which may be adversely affected by a final order arising from this case. Ozark is a natural gas company that currently has an application pending before the Commission, in Case No. GA-2006-0561, which would overlap, at least in part, the service territory sought by Alliance in the instant case. Ozark filed its Application on June 30, 2006, and a Prehearing Conference was held in that case on November 16, 2006. Alliance is participating as an Intervenor in Ozark’s certificate application case (GA-2006-0561). Likewise, Ozark seeks to participate fully in the instant proceeding.
5. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.075 (4) (B), Ozark states that granting the instant Application to Intervene would also serve the public interest. Ozark was awarded municipal franchises by votes of the people in

Kimberling City and Highlandville, Missouri, on November 7, 2006. The city governments in Branson West, Reeds Spring and Hollister, all shown in Alliance's application in this case, are currently considering ordinances that would grant franchises to Ozark to provide natural gas service in those communities. The public interest in the potential for receiving natural gas service in these communities is substantial.

6. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.075 (2), Ozark states that it is currently unsure of the position(s) it will take in this matter.

WHEREFORE, Ozark Energy Partners, LLC respectfully requests that the Missouri Public Service Commission grant this Application to Intervene in this matter and make Ozark Energy Partners a party to this proceeding for all purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that the undersigned has caused a complete copy of the attached document to be electronically filed and served on the Commission's Office of General Counsel (at [gencounsel@psc.mo.gov](mailto:gencounsel@psc.mo.gov)) and the Office of Public Counsel (at [opcservice@ded.mo.gov](mailto:opcservice@ded.mo.gov)), and on counsel for Alliance Gas Energy Corporation ([jfischerpc@aol.com](mailto:jfischerpc@aol.com)), on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of November 2006.

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