9/10 BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

| The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, |)) |
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| Complaina | nt, |
| v. |) <u>Case No. EC-98-573</u> |
| St. Joseph Light & Power Company, |) |
| Responden | t.) |

NOTICE CLARIFYING THE DATE UPON WHICH ST. JOSEPH LIGHT & POWER COMPANY SHALL RESPOND

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed a Motion for Leave to File Complaint and a Complaint on June 19, 1998. On August 12, the Commission issued an order which among other things, granted Staff leave to file the Complaint and ordered St. Joseph Light & Power Company (SJLP) to respond to the Complaint and Motion to Establish Test Year and Update Period no later than September 14. On August 24, SJLP filed an Application for Reconsideration or Alternatively for Rehearing, which raised several issues, and pointed out that SJLP had not been served with notice of the complaint as required by Section 386.390.3, RSMo and 4 CSR 240-2.070(7). Thereafter, a Notice of Complaint was issued by the Commission on September 2. The Notice of Complaint directs SJLP to respond to the Complaint on or before October 2.

On September 8, SJLP filed a Motion to Conform Order which asks the Commission to conform its August 12 order with the Notice of Complaint and allow SJLP until October 2 to respond to the Complaint.

The issue of when SJLP is required to respond to the Complaint was raised in SJLP's August 24 Application for Reconsideration or Alternatively for Rehearing and any modification of the August 12 Order will be addressed in the Commission's forthcoming ruling on that Motion. However, so that SJLP will know when it is expected to file a response to the Complaint, this notice is being issued to clarify that SJLP shall file its response to Staff's Complaint no later than October 2, which is the date established in the Notice of Complaint.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 10th day of September, 1998.

Woodruff, Regulatory Law Judge

