BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri Public Service, a Division of UtiliCorp United Inc.'s Tariff Designed to Increase Rates for Electric Service to Customers in the Missouri Service Area of the Company.))) <u>Case No. ER-97-394</u>))
In the Matter of the Filing of Tariff Sheets by Missouri Public Service, a Division of UtiliCorp United Inc., Relating to Real-Time Pricing, Flexible Rates/Special Contracts, Line Extension Policy and Energy Audit Program.))) <u>Case No. ET-98-103</u>)
The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. UtiliCorp United Inc., d/b/a Missouri)))) <u>Case No. EC-98-126</u> \)
Public Service, Respondent.))

NOTICE REGARDING OBJECTIONS TO DEPRECIATION ISSUE RECOMMENDATIONS

Following issuance of the Commission's March 6, 1998 Report and Order, the Commission's Staff, the Office of Public Counsel and UtiliCorp United Inc. d/b/a Missouri Public Service (Company) have filed pleadings addressing depreciation issues such as the appropriate service lives for Company's transmission, distribution and general plant accounts and depreciation rates for old and new computer equipment. The parties may respond to these pleadings no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 15, 1998.

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BYTHE COMMISSION

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Secretary/ChiefRegulatoryLawJudge

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 14th day of April, 1998.

Randles, Regulatory Law Judge