BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing It to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Control, Manage, Case No. GA-99-107 and Maintain Natural Gas Pipeline Facilities and a Gas Distribution System for the Public in a Portion of St. Charles County, Missouri, as an Expansion of Its Presently Certificated Area. In the Matter of the Application of Laclede Gas Company for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Authorizing It to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Control, Manage, and Case No. GA-99-236 Maintain a Gas Distribution System for the Public in a Portion of the City of Wentzville, Missouri, as an Expansion of Its Presently Certificated Area.

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION WITHOUT INTERVENTION

On January 29, 1999, Missouri Pipeline Company (MPC) filed an application for participation without intervention. MPC's application indicates that it is engaged in the business of designing, constructing, owning and operating natural transmission pipeline systems. MPC indicates that its interest in this matter stems from the fact that it provides intrastate transportation of natural gas to both Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE and Laclede Gas Company near Wentzville. The result of the case may create the need for additional delivery points or other pipeline construction. Therefore, MPC asserts that it has an active interest in the outcome of this matter.

By its application, MPC seeks permission to participate without intervention in accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(5). MPC asks that its participation include: receipt of all pleadings and other filings made by the parties; receipt of all orders issued by the Commission; receipt of all testimony filed by the parties; the opportunity to make an opening statement; and the opportunity to file briefs in this matter.

No party opposed MPC's application to participate. The Commission finds that MPC should be allowed to participate.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That Missouri Pipeline Company's Application for Participation without Intervention is granted.
- That this order shall become effective on February 26,
 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1), (November 30, 1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 16th day of February, 1999.

