OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Missouri Gas Energy's Application)	
for a Determination of Certain Matters Pertaining to) Case No. GO-2002-4	8
its Safety Line Replacement Program)	

ORDER GRANTING MISSOURI GAS ENERGY'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO REPLY TO STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION

On April 22, 2002, Missouri Gas Energy (MGE), a division of Southern Union Company, filed a motion requesting an extension of time in which to reply to the recommendations of the Staff of the Commission regarding MGE's application for determination of certain matters pertaining to MGE's Safety Line Replacement Program. Staff filed its recommendations on April 12. Under Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(16) MGE was allowed 10 days in which to respond to Staff's recommendation. That means that MGE's response was due on April 22.

MGE indicates that it needs more time to study Staff's recommendations and to prepare its response. MGE states that it will be able to file its response by May 6 and requests an extension of time until that date. MGE represents that its counsel has discussed this matter with counsel for Staff and counsel for Public Counsel and that neither objects to the requested extension of time.

The Commission will grant the requested extension of time.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That Missouri Gas Energy's Motion for Extension of Time is granted.
- 2. That Missouri Gas Energy shall file its response to Staff's Recommendation no later than May 6, 2002.
 - 3. That this order shall become effective on May 6, 2002.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Morris L. Woodruff, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 26th day of April, 2002.