

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
September 1, 2000**

CASE NO: GR-2000-485

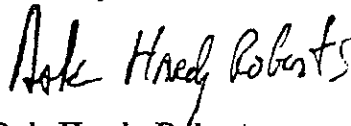
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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Southern Missouri Gas)
Company, L.P. for Authority to File)
Tariffs Increasing Rates for Gas Service)
Provided to Customers in the Company's)
Missouri Service Area)

Case No. GR-2000-485

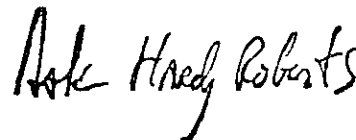
ORDER DIRECTING FILING

In its February 29, 2000, motion to adopt small rate case procedures, Southern Missouri Gas Company (SMG) indicated that a settlement conference would be held July 24, 2000, or some other mutually agreeable time. SMG will be directed to file a report on the status of this case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Southern Missouri Gas Company shall, no later than September 12, 2000, file with the Commission a report on the status of this case.
2. That this order shall become effective on September 11, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Lewis Mills, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 1st day of September, 2000.

