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STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office  
in Jefferson City on the 19th  
day of June, 1997.

Investigation into the PGA/ACA process and )  
possible alternatives to the PGA/ACA ) Case No. GO-97-422  
process. )

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTIONS

This docket was opened by order of the Commission on May 6, 1997 for the purpose of investigating whether the various Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) and Actual Cost Adjustment (ACA) tariff provisions governing Missouri's natural gas local distribution utilities should be modified, and to explore the PGA/ACA process and possible alternatives to the current tariffs.

After notice, timely requests for intervention were filed by the following parties:

Union Electric Company - a regulated utility in the State of Missouri, providing both electric and natural gas service to the public;

Laclede Gas Company - a regulated utility in the State of Missouri, providing natural gas service to the public;

Williams Natural Gas Company - an interstate natural gas pipeline with various customers in the State of Missouri;

Riverside Pipeline Company, L.P. and Mid-Kansas Partnership - current suppliers of natural gas and natural gas transportation service to Missouri Gas Energy;

MRT Energy Marketing Company - a provider of natural gas and energy management services to customers in Missouri and elsewhere;

"The Gas Corporations" - four regulated utilities in the State of Missouri consisting of UtiliCorp United, Inc., Associated Natural Gas Company, St. Joseph Light & Power Company and United Cities Gas Company;

"The Industrial Gas Users" - ten large industrial plants and hospitals within the State of Missouri;

Southern Missouri Gas Company - a regulated utility in the State of Missouri providing natural gas service to various municipalities in Missouri;

Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc. - a regulated utility in the State of Missouri providing natural gas service to the municipality of Sullivan, Missouri and surrounding areas; and

Greeley Gas Company, a division of Atmos Energy Corporation - a regulated utility in the State of Missouri providing natural gas service to the communities of Rich Hill and Hume.

All applicants state that they have interests in this proceeding different from those of the general public, largely because most are engaged, in one fashion or other, in the provision of some type of natural gas service or are large consumers of natural gas.

No objections were tendered in response to any of the above applications.

The Commission finds that all of the above applicants have interests in this proceeding sufficiently different from those of the general public to permit full intervention in these proceedings. The Commission will grant the applications to intervene.

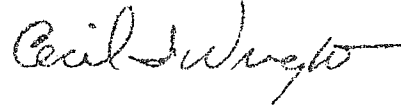
**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the following parties are granted intervention in this proceeding:

Union Electric Company, Laclede Gas Company, Williams Natural Gas Company, Riverside Pipeline Company, L.P. and Mid-Kansas Partnership, MRT Energy Marketing Company, The Gas Corporations, The Industrial Gas Users, Southern Missouri Gas Company, Fidelity Natural Gas, Inc., and Greeley Gas Company, a division of Atmos Energy Corporation.

2. That this order shall become effective on the date hereof.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Cecil I. Wright".

Cecil I. Wright  
Executive Secretary

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Zobrist, Chm., Crumpton, Drainer,  
Murray, and Lumpe, CC., Concur.

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