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RE: Case No. GO-2001-249

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a **JOINT PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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In the Matter of an Investigation into)
Various Issues Related to UtiliCorp)
United Inc.'s Gas Supply Services)
Department)

Case No. GO-2001-249

JOINT PROPOSED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

COME NOW the Parties to this proceeding, and respectfully ask the Commission to enter an Order adopting this proposed procedural schedule. In support of this request, the Parties state the following:

1. On October 16, 2000, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed a Motion with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) to establish a case to investigate allegations of impropriety contained in an anonymous letter received by the Chair of the Commission on September 9, 2000.

2. On October 31, 2000, UtiliCorp responded to Staff's Motion. UtiliCorp denied any impropriety and supported Staff's Motion to Open a Case.

3. The Commission issued an Order Granting a Protective Order on November 28, 2000.

4. On March 1, 2000, the Commission issued an Order Setting Prehearing Conference and Requiring Filing of Procedural Schedule. The prehearing Conference was held on March 13, 2000.

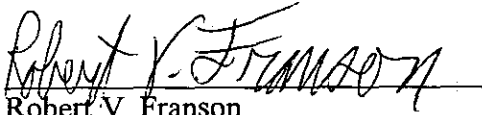
5. The Parties do not foresee a need to file testimony or to hold a hearing in this proceeding. The Parties expect that this case will culminate in the filing of a report by Staff,

with an opportunity for the other parties to respond, if they so desire. The parties propose that Staff notify the Commission on June 1, 2001, about the status of discovery. The parties will utilize due diligence to complete discovery by June 1, 2001 and to resolve any discovery disputes. If discovery is complete, then Staff proposes to file its report by June 21, 2001, with any responses to be filed by July 11, 2001. If discovery is not complete or if there are any discovery disputes, then Staff will advise the Commission about any such disputes and the parties will work diligently with the Regulatory Law Judge to resolve such disputes or present such matters to the Commission.

WHEREFORE, for all the above reasons, the Parties respectfully request that the Commission enter an Order approving the Proposed Procedural Schedule.

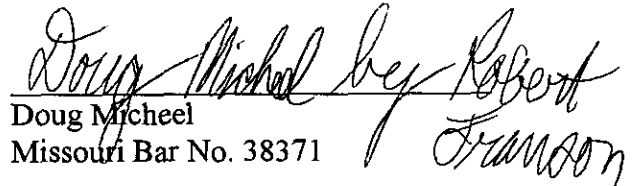
Respectfully submitted,

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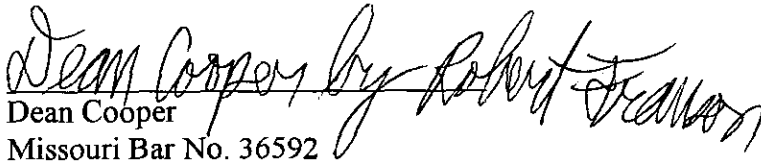
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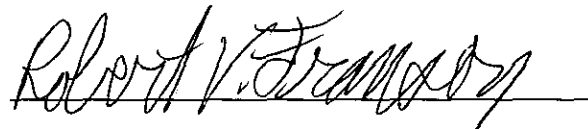


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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 20th day of March 2001.



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