

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
JEFFERSON CITY**

**June 28, 2001**

**CASE NO: GR-2001-397**

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

**Sincerely,**

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

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a Session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office in  
Jefferson City on the 28th day of  
June, 2001.

In the Matter of United Cities Gas Company's Purchased	)	<b><u>Case No. GR-2001-397</u></b>
Gas Adjustment Tariff Revisions to be Reviewed in its	)	<b><u>Tariff No. 200101192</u></b>
2000-2001 Actual Cost Adjustment	)	

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR WAIVER AND APPROVING INTERIM  
RATES**

United Cities Gas Company, a division of Atmos Energy Corporation, (United Cities) submitted a tariff sheet to the Commission on June 15, 2001, carrying an effective date of July 1, 2001. The proposed tariff sheet was filed to reflect unscheduled changes in United Cities' Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) factors as the result of falling wholesale prices of natural gas. The net effect of the changes proposed by United Cities will decrease the firm PGA factor for the remainder of the 2001 summer season in each of United Cities' districts. The changes for each district are as follows:

Palmyra District – Decrease the firm PGA factor from \$1.1576 per Ccf to \$0.9008 per Ccf;

Bowling Green District – Decrease the firm PGA factor from \$1.0532 per Ccf to \$0.7964 per Ccf;

Hannibal/Canton District – Decrease the firm PGA factor from \$1.0387 per Ccf to \$0.7819 per Ccf; and

Neelyville District – Decrease the firm PGA factor from \$1.0549 per Ccf to \$0.7771 per Ccf.

Along with its proposed tariff, United Cities filed a Request for Variance from Tariff Provisions to permit it to file an unscheduled Summer Purchased Gas Adjustment rather than delaying its next adjustment to the PGA factor until its next scheduled filing.

The Staff of the Commission filed a memorandum and recommendation on June 26, stating that the changes in United Cities' PGA were calculated in conformance with the Company's approved PGA Clause, and that United Cities' tariff permits the filing of proposed PGA tariffs on ten days' notice. Staff also recommends that the Commission grant United Cities' Request for Variance from Tariff Provisions. Staff recommends that the Commission approve the tariff sheet to become effective July 1, 2001, on an interim basis, subject to refund.

The Commission has reviewed the proposed tariff sheet and Staff's recommendation and memorandum, and finds that the tariff sheet conforms to United Cities' Commission-approved PGA Clause and is therefore reasonable.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That United Cities Gas Company's Request for Variance from Tariff Provisions is granted.
2. That the tariff sheet submitted on June 15, 2001, by United Cities Gas Company, is approved on an interim basis, subject to refund, to become effective on July 1, 2001. The tariff sheet approved is:

**P.S.C. Mo. No. 3**

**10<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 58, CANCELING 9th Revised Sheet No. 58**

3. That this order shall become effective on July 1, 2001.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

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

(SEAL)

Lumpe, Ch., Murray, Simmons and Gaw, CC., concur

Woodruff, Senior Regulatory Law Judge

ALJ/Secretary: Woodruff / Bayce  
Date Circulated 6-26 PR-2001-397  
CASE NO.  
Lumpke, Chair HL  
Dyner, Vice Chair  
Murray, Commissioner MS  
Simmons, Commissioner KS  
Gaw, Commissioner HL  
Agenda Date 6-28  
Action taken: 4-OAS  
Must Vote Not Later Than

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and  
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,  
Missouri, this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June 2001.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts  
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

