

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Southern Missouri Gas)
Company, L.P., d/b/a Southern Missouri Natural Gas,)
for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity) **Case No. GA-2007-0212**
Authorizing It to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Control,)
Manage, and Maintain a Natural Gas Distribution System)
to Provide Gas Service in Lebanon, Missouri.)

ORDER DIRECTING FILING OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: December 21, 2006

Effective Date: December 21, 2006

On December 6, 2006, Southern Missouri Gas Company, L.P., d/b/a Southern Missouri Natural Gas (SMNG), filed an application requesting that the Commission grant it authority to provide natural gas service to customers in the City of Lebanon, Missouri, and various unincorporated environs located between Lebanon and Marshfield, Missouri. By order issued December 13, 2006, the Commission directed that notice of the application be given to the general public and interested parties and set a deadline for the filing of intervention requests. The Commission will also, by this order, establish a date for its Staff to file either a recommendation or a status report indicating the earliest possible date on which it can file its recommendation.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Staff of the Commission shall file its recommendation concerning this application, or a status report, no later than January 22, 2007.

2. This order shall become effective on December 21, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Nancy Dippell, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 21st day of December, 2006.