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THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

Before Commissioners: Brian J. Moline, Chair

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In the Matter of the Application of Kansas)	
Gas Service, a Division of ONEOK, Inc. for)	Docket No. 05-KGSG-580-HED
Approval of a Hedge Program for Gas)	
Purchased for the Winter Heating Season.		

PETITION TO INTERVENE

COMES NOW, the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board ("CURB") and moves the Corporation Commission of the State of the Kansas ("Commission") for an order permitting it to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of its petition, CURB states and alleges as follows:

- 1. CURB is composed of five volunteer consumer advocate members and is statutorily authorized to represent the interests of Kansas residential and small commercial ratepayers in utility proceedings.
- 2. CURB's Consumer Counsel has been given the discretion to intervene and represent the interests of Kansas residential and small commercial ratepayers in any utility proceeding before the Commission under K.S.A. 66-1223 et seq.
- 3. On January 14, 2005, Kansas Gas Service, a Division of ONEOK, Inc. filed its application for an order approving its request to establish a Gas Hedge Program which will enable the Company to take the necessary steps to limit the volatility of gas prices during the winter heating season. Pursuant to the application, the Company is requesting the authority to collect \$14.0 million dollars annually from its customers to purchase hedging instruments to limit the volatility of the price of gas to its customers during the winter heating months of November

through March.

4. CURB is requesting permission to intervene in this docket to represent the

interests of the residential and small commercial ratepayers of Kansas. The rates paid and the

service received by those customers will or may be affected by any Commission order or activity

in this proceeding.

5. The representation of CURB's interests in this proceeding by existing parties is or

may be inadequate.

6. The residential and small commercial ratepayers whose interests CURB represents

will or may be bound by any Commission order or activity in this proceeding and will or may be

adversely affected thereby.

WHEREFORE, CURB RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THE Commission grant its

Petition for Intervention in this Docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS)
COUNTY OF SHAWNEE) ss:)
I, David Springe, of lawful	age, being first duly sworn upon his oath states:
•	ne above named petitioner; that he has read the above and information and belief, states that the matters therein appearing
	David Springe
SUBSCRIBED AND SWO	RN to before me this 18th day of January, 2005
	Vermona E Runnel
My Commission expires: 2/11/06	State of Kansas My Appl. Exp. (es. February 18, 2006

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, David Springe, hereby certify a true and correct copy of the foregoing, was hand delivered, or placed in the United States mail, postage prepaid, on this 18th day of January 2005 to:

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