THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Application of American)
Energies Gas Service, LLC, to Change its) Docket No. 15-AEGG-158-RTS
Rates for Natural Gas Service and for)
Approval of its New Agreements with)
American Energies Pipeline, LLC.)

CURB's Response to the Report and Recommendation of the Commission Staff

The Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board (CURB) files its response below to the *Report and Recommendation* of the Staff of the Kansas Corporation Commission (Staff), which was filed in the above-captioned docket on February 5, 2015:

Staff recommends that the Commission approve the revised \$1.45/Mcf gas gathering fee of American Energies Gas Service (AEGS) and a revenue decrease of \$20,934, subject to the following conditions:

- (1) eliminate the monthly dollar amount stated in AEGS's proposed Operation Services

 Agreement;
- (2) approve Staff's amended Operational Services Agreement;
- (3) approve Staff's amended Natural Gas Sales Agreement;
- (4) approve Staff's rate design;
- (5) deny AEGS's request to increase service fees and charges; and
- (6) AEGS must adopt the FERC Uniform System of Accounts.

CURB has reviewed AEGS's Application and has participated in discussions with Staff and the Company concerning the Application. CURB has reviewed the data responses and Staff's *Report*

and Recommendation. CURB concurs with Staff's concerns regarding the Application, and concurs with its recommendations to the Commission.

CURB therefore recommends that the Commission approve Staff's recommended revenue decrease of \$20,934 and the \$1.45/Mcf gas gathering fee, and make its approval subject to the six conditions proposed by Staff in its *Report and Recommendation*.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF KANSAS)	
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I, Niki Christopher, of lawful age and being first duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am an attorney for the Citizens' Utility Ratepayer Board; that I have read and am familiar with the above and foregoing document and attest that the statements therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Niki Christopher

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 16th day of February, 2015.

Notary Public

DELLA J. SMITH

Notary Public - State of Kansas

My Appt. Expires January 26, 2017

My Commission expires: 01-26-2017.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was served by electronic service on this 16th day of February, 2015, to the following:

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