

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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In the Matter of the Filing of Compliance)
Tariffs and Reports by Jurisdictional) Docket No. 06-GIMX-679-GIV
Utilities as Prescribed by Commission)
Order Dated November 28, 2005 in Docket)
No. 04-GIMX-651-GIV.)

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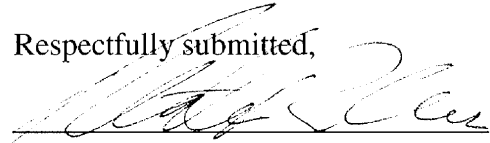
REPORT

COMES NOW, the Staff of the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Staff and Commission respectively) and submits this Report.

1. On November 28, 2005, the Commission issued an Order in Docket No. 04-GIMX-651-GIV adopting Minimum Standards for Payment Methods for Utility Bills and Allowing the Acceptance of Credit Cards by Kansas Jurisdictional Electric, Natural Gas, and Water Utilities (Minimum Standards).
2. In its November 28, 2005, Order in Docket No. 04-GIMX-651-GIV, the Commission required that all Kansas jurisdictional gas and electric utilities come into compliance with the Minimum Standards.
3. On January 17, 2006, Staff filed a Report recommending that a docket be opened in order to establish a record of matters relating to compliance with the Minimum Standards.
4. On March 17, 2006, the Commission issued an Order opening this docket.
5. Staff has been monitoring compliance and compiling relevant information. Staff has prepared a Memorandum summarizing the current status of compliance efforts. Staff's Memorandum is attached hereto as Attachment "A."

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits this Report to the Commission for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,



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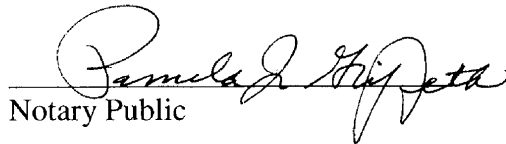
STATE OF KANSAS)
) ss:
COUNTY OF SHAWNEE)

Matthew R. Tomc, being duly sworn upon his oath deposes and states that he is an attorney for the Kansas Corporation Commission Staff, that he has read and is familiar with the foregoing Report and Recommendation and that the statements contained therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.



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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of December, 2006.



Notary Public

My Appointment expires:

August 17, 2007

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MEMORANDUM

December 1, 2006

Compliance with Minimum Standards for Payment)
Methods for Utility Bills and Allowing the)
Acceptance of Credit Cards by Kansas jurisdictional) Docket No. 06-GIMX-679-GIV
Electric, Natural Gas, and Water Utilities. Docket)
No. 04-GIMX-651-GIV)

To: Chair Moline
Commissioner Krehbiel
Commissioner Moffet
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DATE SUBMITTED TO LEGAL: 12/4/06

DATE SUBMITTED TO COMMISSIONERS: 12/13/06

BACKGROUND

The Commission issued an Order in the General Investigation Regarding Payment of Customer Accounts by means of Fee-based Transactions, Including Third Party Services.¹ The Commission Order, dated March 17, 2006, in Docket No. 06-GIMX-679-GIV stated that all jurisdictional electric and gas utilities may file appropriate tariffs and other materials for Staff review in this docket as necessary to comply with the Commission's November 22, 2005 Order in 04-GIMX-GIV.

COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

This memo summarizes utility participation in filing GT&C, credit card payment proposals and quarterly reports regarding walk-in payment locations.

¹ Order On Reconsideration, November 22, 2005, as corrected, Order Nunc Pro Tunc, November 28, 2005 Docket No. 04-GIMX-651-GIV.

General Terms and Conditions

Every jurisdictional utility was required to file revised General Terms and Conditions (GT&C) that conform to the provisions of the Minimum Standards. This requirement was applicable to all jurisdictional utilities regardless of the company's plan to offer the option of payment by credit/debit card to its customers.

Reporting for in-person payment methods card

Utilities were required provide a complete list of authorized locations for in-person payments that were closed during the third quarter of 2006 and explain what other options for in-person payments were made available to the customer.

Companies reporting on authorized walk-in pay locations include: Aquila Inc., Atmos Energy, Empire District Electric, Kansas Gas Service, Kansas City Power & Light, Midwest Energy, Southwestern Public Service and Westar Energy. June 30, 2006 these companies had a total of 219 company business offices and pay stations open in Kansas. During the third quarter, companies reported that 17 locations were closed and 14 locations were opened. For the period ending September 30, 2006, a total of 216 pay stations were available for customer in-person bill payment.

The net effect on pay locations for Westar Energy and Kansas Gas Service was a net reduction of four and five pay stations, respectively. Aquila, Kansas City Power and Light, and Atmos had a net gain of one pay station for each utility. Midwest, Empire and Southwestern Public Service did not change the net number of pay stations available to customers.

This memo is to be filed in Docket No. 06-GIMX-679-GIV to provide permanent documentation of utility compliance with the Commission's Order. Specific copies of tariffs and reports filed for compliance in Docket No. 06-GIMX-679-GIV are available by calling 785 271-3165 and asking for Dorothy Myrick or Sonya Cushinberry.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

06-GIMX-679-GIV

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Report was placed in the United States mail, postage prepaid, or hand-delivered this 13th day of December, 2006, to the following:

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