

BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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In the Matter of the Filing of Written Documents )  
and Gas Purchase Reports by UtiliCorp United )  
Inc., d/b/a Peoples Natural Gas Company and )  
Kansas Public Service Company, as Prescribed )  
by Commission Order dated June 21, 2001 in )  
Docket No. 106,850-U / 75-GIMC-009-GIG )

Docket No. 02-UTC6-371-GPR

**APPLICATION**

COMES NOW Applicant, UtiliCorp United Inc., d/b/a Peoples Natural Gas Company and Kansas Public Service Company ("UtiliCorp") and files this request for the Kansas Corporation Commission ("Commission") to open a utility-specific docket for UtiliCorp to utilize in filing its monthly contract summary filings and its annual written report relating to supply and transportation contracts and purchasing practices. This Application is being filed in accordance with the Order issued by the Commission in KCC Docket No. 106,850-U (75-GIMC-009-GIG) on June 21, 2001.

In support of this Application, UtiliCorp states as follows:

1. UtiliCorp is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and has its principal place of business at 20 West 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

2. All communication regarding this Application should be addressed to:

Mr. Larry W. Headley  
Director, Regulatory Services  
Peoples Natural Gas, a division of UtiliCorp United Inc.  
1815 Capitol Avenue  
Omaha, NE 68102

with copies to:

James G. Flaherty  
Anderson, Byrd, Richeson, Flaherty & Henrichs  
216 S. Hickory, P. O. Box 17  
Ottawa, Kansas 66067

3. UtiliCorp is duly authorized to transact the business in the State of Kansas as a foreign corporation, holds appropriate certificates from this Commission to transact business as a natural gas public utility, and is now and has been engaged in the purchase, transmission, sale and distribution of natural gas in the State of Kansas in accordance with the laws of said state and the rules and regulations of this Commission.

4. On June 21, 2001, the Commission issued an Order in Docket No. 106,850-U (75-GIMC-009-GIG). In that Order, the Commission ordered UtiliCorp and other natural gas utilities in the state to file with the Commission monthly contract summary filings and an annual written report relating to supply and transportation contracts and purchasing practices. The Order indicated that the filings should be made in utility-specific dockets.

5. UtiliCorp has conferred with the Staff of the Commission regarding the opening of a utility-specific docket pursuant to the Commission's June 21, 2001 Order, and the Staff has requested that the utility file this Application with the Commission.

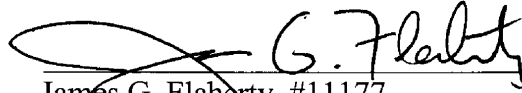
6. The purpose of this Application is to request that the Commission open a utility-specific docket for UtiliCorp to utilize in filing its monthly contract summary filings and its annual written report relating to supply and transportation contracts and purchasing practices.

7. UtiliCorp is filing a Motion for Protective Order and Motion for Scheduling Conference simultaneously with the filing of this Application. The purpose of the Motion for Protective Order is to have the Commission establish guidelines regarding the review by parties of confidential information contained in the monthly contract summary filings and annual written report. The purpose of the Scheduling Conference is to establish a schedule for the annual meeting between UtiliCorp and the Staff of the Commission.

8. The granting of this Application and the motions filed herewith will allow UtiliCorp

to meet the requirements established by the Commission in its June 21, 2001 Order, in an orderly and formal process.

WHEREFORE, UtiliCorp requests that its Application be granted.



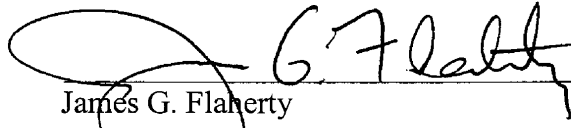
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**VERIFICATION**

STATE OF KANSAS            )  
  )ss:  
COUNTY OF FRANKLIN    )

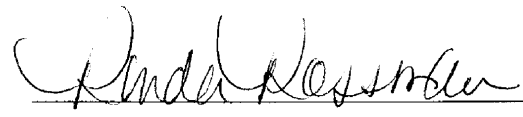
James G. Flaherty, of lawful age, being first duly sworn on oath, states:

That he is an attorney for the UtiliCorp United Inc., d/b/a Peoples Natural Gas Company and Kansas Public Service Company, Applicant named in the foregoing Application, and is duly authorized to make this affidavit; that he has read the foregoing Application, and knows the contents thereof; and that the facts set forth therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.



James G. Flaherty

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 16 day of November, 2001.



Notary Public

My Commission Expires: