

STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of	)	
<b>MICHIGAN GAS UTILITIES</b> for	)	Case No. U-10403
authority to revise its depreciation rates.	)	
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At the August 31, 1999 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing, Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. John G. Strand, Chairman  
 Hon. David A. Svanda, Commissioner  
 Hon. Robert B. Nelson, Commissioner

**ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION**

In its November 29, 1993 order in Case No. U-10403, the Commission approved depreciation rates for Michigan Gas Utilities (MGU). The Commission further directed MGU to file its next depreciation rate case, supported by a depreciation study, on or before September 1, 1999.

On August 10, 1999, MGU filed a motion requesting an extension of time until December 31, 1999 to file its depreciation rate case and study. The motion sets forth reasons that justify granting the requested extension.

The Commission FINDS that:

- a. Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1909 PA 300, as amended, MCL 462.2 et seq.; MSA 22.21 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCL 460.51 et seq.; MSA 22.1 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCL 460.1 et seq.; MSA 22.13(1) et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.;

MSA 3.560(101) et seq.; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended,  
1992 AACRS, R 460.17101 et seq.

b. MGU's request to extend the deadline for filing its depreciation rate case and study to December 31, 1999 is reasonable and should be approved.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Michigan Gas Utilities' deadline for filing its depreciation rate case and supporting depreciation study shall be extended to December 31, 1999, as requested in its August 10, 1999 motion.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

/s/ John G. Strand  
Chairman

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/s/ David A. Svanda  
Commissioner

/s/ Robert B. Nelson  
Commissioner, abstaining.

By its action of August 31, 1999.

/s/ Dorothy Wideman  
Its Executive Secretary

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Suggested Minute:

“Adopt and issue order dated August 31, 1999 approving the request of Michigan Gas Utilities to extend, until December 31, 1999, the deadline for filing its depreciation rate case and its supporting depreciation study, as set forth in the order.”