# BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

March 8, 1996

IN RE:

THE APPLICATION OF UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY FOR AN ORDER APPROVING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A UNIVERSAL SHELF REGISTRATION FOR DEBT AND EQUITY FINANCING

**DOCKET NO. 95-01312** 

#### ORDER

This matter is before the Commission upon the Petition of United Cities Gas Company (United Cities, Company, or Petitioner) for an interpretation of this Commission's prior Order of March 21, 1995, in the above captioned docket.

United Cities interprets the Commission's prior Order in this docket to allow it to issue stock pursuant to various "in house" stock plans under its universal shelf registration, which was approved by the said Order of March 21, 1995, without the necessity of further new applications each time available common stock is exhausted. These issuances are for "general corporate purposes," and the approvals are routine. With the availability of the universal shelf, United Cities maintains that separate applications should be unnecessary. United Cities understands and agrees that the reporting requirements of the Commission's Order of March 21, 1995 in the universal shelf docket would also apply to stock issued pursuant to these plans. By this Petition, United Cities seeks assurance that its interpretation of the Commission's prior Order is correct and that, subject to such reporting requirements, the universal shelf can be used for this purpose.

The Commission considered this matter at its conference on February 20, 1996. After consideration of the entire record in this matter, including the Petition for Clarification, the Exhibits thereto, the investigation conducted by the Commission Staff, and the recommendation of the Commission Staff dated February 14, 1996, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

- 1. The Petitioner is engaged in the public utility business of furnishing natural gas to customers in numerous counties in Tennessee.
- 2. The Petitioner is subject to the regulation and supervision of the Tennessee Public Service Commission pursuant to Chapter 4, Title 65 of <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>.
- 3. United Cities' interpretation of our prior Order is correct, in the public interest, and should be approved.

# IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED:

- 1. That United Cities' request to issue stock pursuant to "in house" stock plans under its universal shelf registration as set out in its Petition and hereinabove, is hereby approved.
- 2. That United Cities shall continue to file reports with this Commission on the details of any financing instruments issued under the universal shelf registration, for "in house" or other transactions, as they occur.
- 3. That any party aggrieved with the Commission's decision in this matter may file a Petition for Reconsideration with the Commission within ten (10) days from and after the date of this Order.

4. That any party aggrieved with the Commission's decision in this matter has the right of judicial review by filing a Petition for Review in the Tennessee Court of Appeals, Middle Section, within sixty (60) days from and after the date of this Order.

CHAIRMAN

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**COMMISS** 

ATTEST:

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** 

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#### BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Nashville, Tennessee

March 8, 1996

IN RE: TARIFF FILING BY AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL STATES, INC. TO ESTABLISH AN INTRALATA SERVICES TARIFF (TARIFF 95-289).

DOCKET NO. 95-04059

## **ORDER**

This matter is before the Tennessee Public Service Commission upon receipt of the above captioned tariff filing. This tariff was filed to become effective on November 23, 1995, but was suspended until April 21, 1996.

On March 1, 1996 the Commission received a letter from AT&T requesting withdrawal of the proposed tariff in this docket. Upon consideration of the request, the Commission concludes that the tariffs should be withdrawn and this docket should be closed.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. The request to withdraw the proposed tariffs in the above captioned tariff filing is hereby granted, and this docket is hereby closed.
- 2. Any party aggrieved with the Commission's decision in this matter may file a Petition for Reconsideration with the Commission within ten (10) days from and after the date of this Order.

3. Any party aggrieved with the Commission's decision in this matter has the right to judicial review by filing a Petition for Review in the Tennessee Court of Appeals, Middle Section, within sixty (60) days from and after the date of this Order.

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COMMISSIONER

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**