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Mr. Glenn D. Smith
Chief of Gas Operations and Rates
Utilities Division
Kansas Corporation Commission
1500 SW Arrowhead Road
Topeka, KS 66604-4027

Dear Mr. Smith:

We have considered your letter of July 8, 1998, notifying us the Commission has granted the Kansas Gas Service Company a waiver from the definition of "main" in 49 CFR 192.3 for certain branch lines connected to mains. The waiver authorizes the construction of branch lines that serve no more than two individual residences or two duplex units under the requirements in 49 CFR Part 192 for service lines rather than the requirements for mains.

We have no objection to the waiver. The circumstances are comparable to those of other state waivers we have approved for branch service lines serving contiguous lots.

Sincerely,

Richard B. Felder
Associate Administrator for Pipeline Safety

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