

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Aqua	)	
Missouri, Inc. and the City of Taos, Missouri,	)	
for Authority to Acquire Certain Assets of Aqua	)	<b><u>Case No. SO-2011-0331</u></b>
Missouri, Inc., and in Connection Therewith,	)	
Certain Other Related Transactions.	)	

**STAFF'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), by and through the undersigned counsel, and files this *Motion for Extension of Time (Motion)* with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission), respectfully stating the following:

1. On April, 7, 2011, a *Joint Application of Aqua Missouri, Inc. and the City of Taos, Missouri, for Authority to Acquire Certain Assets of Aqua Missouri, Inc., and in Connection Therewith, Certain Other Related Transactions (Joint Application)* was filed with the Commission.

2. On April 8, 2011, the Commission issued an Order that directed the filing of certain information by Aqua Missouri, Inc. and the City of Taos, Missouri (Applicants) and directed Staff to file its recommendation no later than May 20, 2011.

3. The Order also provided that any application to intervene should be filed no later than May 10, 2011. No such application was filed with the Commission.

4. Staff is currently investigating the financial, technical, and economic implications of the proposed transaction. Among other items, this investigation includes data requests that were submitted to the City of Taos, Missouri and the date to respond has not yet passed. This is a time consuming task and given Staff's current caseload this evaluation cannot be completed by May 20, 2011.

5. Staff anticipates that an extension of forty-five (45) days will be sufficient time to provide a Recommendation and requests an extension of time, until July 6, 2011, to file such Recommendation.

**WHEREFORE**, Staff respectfully submits this *Motion* to the Commission for its information and consideration, and respectfully requests that the Commission allow until July 6, 2011, for Staff to file a Recommendation in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2011.

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