

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a Session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office in  
Jefferson City on the 25th day of  
June, 2002.

In the Matter of the Assessment Against	)	
the Public Utilities in the State of Missouri	)	<b><u>Case No.</u></b>
for the Expenses of the Commission for the	)	
Fiscal Year Commencing July 1, 2002	)	

**ASSESSMENT ORDER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003**

Pursuant to the provision of Section 386.370, RSMo Supp. 2001, the Commission has made an estimate of the expenses to be incurred by it during the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2002, reasonably attributable to the regulation of public utilities as provided in Chapters 386, 392 and 393, RSMo. The Commission has also separately estimated the amount of such expenses directly attributable to such regulation of each of the following groups of public utilities: electrical utilities, gas utilities, heating utilities, water utilities, sewer utilities and telephone utilities, as well as the amount of such expenses not directly attributable to any such group. The estimated amount of expenses directly attributable to all groups of public utilities is \$8,721,644. The estimated amount of expenses not attributable to any such group is \$8,377,283. The Commission estimates that the amount of Federal Gas Safety reimbursement will be \$275,000. The unexpended balance in the Public Service Commission Fund in the hands of the State Treasurer on July 1, 2002, is estimated to be \$283,876.

The Commission hereby deducts these amounts in estimating its need to be \$17,098,927. This estimated unexpended sum of \$283,876 is hereby allocated to each

group of public utilities above enumerated in proportion to the respective gross intrastate operating revenue of the respective groups during the calendar year of 2001 as provided by law.

The Commission has allocated to each group of public utilities the estimated expenses directly attributable to the regulation of that group, and an amount equal to such proportion of the estimated expenses not directly attributable to any group as the gross intrastate operating revenues of such group during the preceding calendar year bear to the total gross intrastate operating revenues of all public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission, as aforesaid, during such calendar year. Those amounts are set out with more specificity in documents located on the Commission's web page at <http://www.psc.mo>.

The Commission fixes the amount so allocated to each such group of public utilities, in addition to said estimated unexpended sum as follows:

Electric .....	\$ 6,278,950
Gas .....	\$ 4,487,295
Heating .....	\$ 26,648
Water .....	\$ 712,673
Sewer .....	\$ 183,358
Telephone .....	\$ 4,851,127
Total .....	\$16,540,051

The Commission assesses the amount of \$16,540,051 to such groups of public utilities and to each public utility in each group in proportion to its respective gross intrastate operating revenues during the preceding calendar year. The Internal Accounting Department of the Commission is hereby directed to calculate the amount of such assessment against each public utility, and the Commission's Director of Administration shall render a statement of such assessment to each public utility on or before July 1, 2002. Said assessment will be due and payable on or before July 15, 2002, or at the option of each public utility, it may be paid in equal quarterly installments on or before July 15, 2002, October 15, 2002, January 15, 2003, and April 15, 2003. The Internal Accounting Department shall deliver checks to the Director of Revenue the day they are received.

All checks should be made payable to the Director of Revenue, State of Missouri; however, these checks are to be sent to the Missouri Public Service Commission, Internal Accounting Department, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, MO 65102.

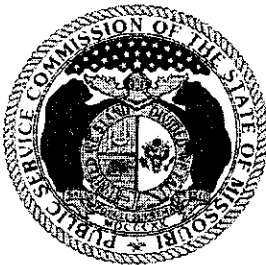
**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the assessment for fiscal year 2003 shall be as set forth herein.
2. That the Internal Accounting Department of the Commission shall calculate the amount of such assessment against each public utility.
3. That the Commission's Director of Administration shall render a statement on behalf of the Commission of such assessment to each public utility on or before July 1, 2002.

4. That each public utility shall pay its assessment as set forth herein.
5. That the Internal Accounting Department shall deliver checks to the Director of Revenue the day they are received.
6. That this order shall become effective on July 1, 2002.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

**Dale Hardy Roberts**  
**Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**



Simmons, Ch., Murray, Lumpe, Gaw and Forbis, CC., concur

Roberts, Chief Regulatory Law Judge