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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of The Meadows Water Company's)
Petition for Extension of Time to File Sewer) Case No. WO-2000-588
and Water Company Annual Report.)

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT

On March 22, 2000, The Meadows Water Company (Meadows), filed its Petition to Extend Time for Filing of Sewer and Water Company Annual Report. In support of its petition, Meadows alleges that a necessary audit of its December 31, 1999, financial statements is underway, but not yet completed. Meadows states that the audit will be completed and the report drafted and ready for filing by August 15, 2000. Meadows seeks an extension until that date.

On April 13, 2000, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed its Recommendation and Memorandum. Staff states that it does not oppose the extension request and recommends that it be granted. Staff believes that the explanation offered by Meadows constitutes good cause. Staff states that this company should be urged to meet known deadlines in the future.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-10.080(1) requires that "[a]ll public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file an annual report with the commission on or before April 15 of each year." Water and sewer utilities are required to file

their annual reports on a form provided by the Commission, or on an acceptable computer-generated replica thereof, and to provide all requested information. 4 CSR 240-10.080, (5) and (6). A utility that is unable to comply by April 15 may present a written request for an extension. 4 CSR 240-10.080(8).

Having considered all of the foregoing, the Commission will grant the requested extension. The Commission stresses that Meadows should strive in the future to meet known and required filing deadlines.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That The Meadows Water Company is granted an extension of the annual report filing requirement contained in Rule 4 CSR 40-10.080(1), up to and including August 15, 2000, by which time it shall file its 1999 annual report with the Commission.
2. That this order shall become effective on May 9, 2000.
3. That this case may be closed on May 10, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief
Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation
of authority pursuant to 4 CSR
240-2.120(1) (November 30, 1995)
and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 27th day of April, 2000.