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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of the City)
of Columbia, Missouri, and Public Water Supply)
District No. 4 of Boone County, Missouri, for)
Approval of a Territorial Agreement Concerning)
Territory Encompassing Part of Boone County,)
Missouri.)

Case No. WO-2000-472

ORDER AND NOTICE

On February 2, 2000, the City of Columbia, Boone County, Missouri, and the Public Water Supply District No. 4 of Boone County, Missouri, (collectively referred to as "Applicants"), pursuant to Section 247.172, RSMo 1994, filed a joint application requesting that the Commission determine that their proposed territorial agreement, designating the service territory of each of the Applicants, is not detrimental to the public interest.

Applicants state that they have mutually agreed to displace competition between themselves as allowed by law and have set out the terms of their agreement in a document entitled Territorial Agreement, which is attached to the application and referred to as Appendix A. The Territorial Agreement contains a map and legal descriptions which, according to the application, represent the respective boundaries. The Applicants also attach as Appendix B a list of all persons whose current water service will be changed by the Territorial Agreement.

Upon review of the application, the Commission finds that notice of this application should be sent to interested persons and an

intervention date set. In accordance with Section 247.172.4, RSMo 1994, the Commission must rule on the application within one hundred twenty (120) days from the date filed unless otherwise ordered by the Commission for good cause shown. The Applicants, Staff, and the Office of the Public Counsel shall file a proposed expedited procedural schedule.

The Commission determines that notice of this application should be given by the Commission's Records Department sending a copy of this order to the County Commission of Boone County, Missouri. The Commission further determines that the Information Officer of the Commission should provide notice to the members of the General Assembly representing the Applicants' service areas and to the newspapers which serve Applicants' service areas as listed in the newspaper directory of the current Official Manual of the State of Missouri. Finally, the Applicants shall provide notice to each customer or landowner whose water service will be changed by the Territorial Agreement and file a copy of that notice in this case.

The Commission finds that proper persons wishing to intervene shall have twenty (20) days from the date of this order to file an application to intervene with the Secretary of the Commission and shall send a copy of the application to intervene to all parties as directed below.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Records Department shall send a copy of this order to the County Commission of Boone County, Missouri.

2. That the Information Officer of the Missouri Public Service Commission be directed hereby to send notice the members of the General Assembly representing the Applicants' service areas and to the newspapers which serve Applicants' service areas as listed in the newspaper directory of the current Official Manual of the State of Missouri.

3. That the City of Columbia, Missouri, and the Public Water Supply District No. 4 of Boone County, Missouri, shall jointly notify each of the persons whose water service will be affected by this Territorial Agreement no later than February 28, 2000.

4. That the City of Columbia, Missouri, and the Public Water Supply District No. 4 of Boone County, Missouri shall jointly file with the Commission a copy of the notice ordered in Paragraph 3 no later than March 7, 2000.

5. That any interested person wishing to intervene in this case shall file an application to intervene on or before March 7, 2000, with:

Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
Post Office Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

and serve a copy on:

Fred Boeckmann
City Counselor, City of Columbia
Post Office Box N
Columbia, Missouri 65205

J. Turner Jones
Jones, Schneider & Bartlett
11 North Seventh Street
Columbia, Missouri 65201

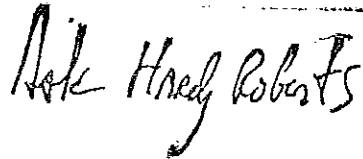
and

Office of the Public Counsel
Post Office Box 7800
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

6. That the Applicants, Staff, and Public Counsel shall file a proposed procedural schedule on or before March 7, 2000, and such procedural schedule shall provide for a hearing to take place on or before April 21, 2000.

7. That this order shall become effective on February 28, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Nancy Dippell, Senior 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 16th day of February, 2000.