# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of WPC Sewer Company's	)	
Small Company Rate Increase	)	Case No. SR-2008-0388

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), through the undersigned counsel, and files this Recommendation for approval of the March 17, 2009 tariff filing of WPC Sewer Company (WPC) with the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission). For this Recommendation, Staff respectfully states the following:

- 1. On February 25, 2009<sup>1</sup>, a Unanimous Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Sewer Company Revenue Increase Request (Disposition Agreement) was filed.
- 2. On March 4, the Commission issued its *Order Approving Unanimous Disposition Agreement*, authorizing an annual increase in sewer revenues by \$927.00. The Order also authorized WPC to file a tariff sheet reflecting the annual revenue increase.
- 3. On March 17, WPC filed a revised tariff, assigned tracking number YS-2009-0666, with an effective date of April 16.
- 4. On March 19, the Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation on the revised tariff by April 6, 2009.
- 5. James M. Russo, Rate and Tariff Examination Supervisor, examined WPC's revised tariff, states that the tariff reflects the agreed upon rate increase and that the tariff should be allowed to take effect on April 16.
- 6. The Commission has the authority to approve the subject proposed tariff revisions in accordance with Sections 393.140 (11) and 393.150 RSMo (2000).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All calendar references are to 2009 unless otherwise noted.

7. Additionally, Section 393.130.1, RSMo provides that all charges made by any sewer corporation for sewer service rendered or to be rendered shall be "just and reasonable."

The *Disposition Agreement* and the Commission's *Order Approving Unanimous Disposition Agreement* support that the rates and charges contained in the tariff revisions are just and reasonable, and necessary to maintain effective operation of the Company for safe and adequate service to its customers.

**WHEREFORE**, based upon the above, Staff recommends the Missouri Public Service Commission issue an order that approves the proposed revised tariff sheets that the Company submitted to the Commission on March 17, 2009, to be effective for service rendered on and after April 16, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

#### /s/ Jennifer Hernandez

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served on all parties of record this  $6^{th}$  day of April, 2009, either by hand delivery, electronic mail or First Class United States Mail, postage prepaid.

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