BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of S.T.)	
Ventures, LLC for Authority to Transfer)	Case No. SO-2011-0020
Certain Assets to Table Rock Lake)	
Community Service, Inc. d/b/a Table Rock)	
Lake Water Quality, Inc. and, in Connection)	
Therewith, Certain Other Related)	
Transactions		

STAFF'S STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), by and through counsel, and requests that the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) postpone Staff's recommendation until October 11, 2010 so that it may fully consider customer comments regarding the proposed transfer. In support of this request, Staff states the following:

- 1. On July 26, 2010, S.T. Ventures, LLC (S.T. Ventures) submitted an application to the Commission seeking authority to transfer certain of its sewer assets to Table Rock Lake Community Service, Inc. d/b/a Table Rock Lake Water Quality, Inc.
- 2. On August 27, 2010, the Commission ordered the Staff to file a recommendation regarding S.T. Ventures' application no later than September 23, 2010. The Commission further noted that any party wanting to respond to Staff's recommendation shall do so no later than ten (10) calendar days after Staff files its recommendation.
- 3. It has come to the Staff's attention that S.T. Ventures mailed notice of this proposal to its customers on September 15, 2010. The notice indicated to customers that they had until September 30, 2010 to provide the Commission with any comments concerning the proposed transfer. A copy of this customer notice is attached as Appendix A.

- 4. As it currently stands, Staff's recommendation is due to be filed one week prior to the final day for customers to provide comments to the Commission.
- 5. Staff respectfully requests the Commission postpone the filing date for the Staff's recommendation until October 11, 2010 so that it may adequately consider all customer comments concerning the proposed transfer.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully submits this Status Report requesting that the Commission postpone Staff's recommendation until October 11, 2010 so that Staff may fully consider customer comments regarding the proposed transfer.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Samuel D. Ritchie

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of this Status Report has been provided, either by first-class mail, by electronic mail, by facsimile transmission or by hand-delivery, to each attorney and/or party of record for this case on this 21st day of September, 2010.

/s/ Samuel D. Ritchie

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Dear Customer,

We wish to inform you that we have reached an agreement to transfer the sewer system that serves your home in Smoke Tree Hills to Ozark Clean Water Company (OCWC) effective later the year, pending the approval of the Missouri Public Service Commission. (You will be notified of the specific date when the transfer date has been determined.)

The reason for the transfer is that I live in the Kansas City area and have found it difficult to monitor and manage the Sewer Plant from long distance. With the slow down in building acitivity these past couple of years, my visits to Smoke Tree Hills are much less frequent than they were previously when I was constructing several houses a year.

We have an excellent quality sewage system at Smoke Tree Hills and I'm confident that OCWC will maintain the same high standards that we provided over the years.

OCWC is a local, Branson based, company that contracts with a professional maintenance provider and has a group of trained technicians with the latest equipment. OCWC is a customer-run organization whose directors are elected by its customers. OCWC's bylaws and additional information about the organization can be found on its web site at www.ozarkscleanwater.org.

Over the past fifteen years or so that we managed the sewer plant, we have kept the monthly fee at the relatively low rate of \$23.50 per month. The rate was never raised during that time ---even though costs increased each year and other utilities raised their rates to keep pace with inflation and increasing operating costs. We were able to subsidize that rate from other sources. However, this is no longer feasible.

Ozark Clean Water Company will likely need to charge rates that reflect the true operating costs and that are consistent with those charged to its other customers. We believe those rates will be competitive with other subdivisions and sewer companies in the county. It is anticipated that the new monthly rate will be approximately \$34.90 per month.

I am proud of Smoke Tree Hills and its residents. It is clearly one of the finer subdivisions in its price range in our area. Once the economy allows, we plan to continue developing the remaining property at Smoke Tree Hills in order to bring more fine homes and residents to our subdivision.

If you would like to provide comments concerning the proposed transfer of the sewer system to OCWC, you may do so by writing the Missouri Public Service Commission, P. O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, or by e-mail at pscinfo@psc.mo.gov, no later than September 30, 2010 (reference Case No. SO-2011 0020).

Comments may also be registered in the case using the Commission's electronic-filing and information system at https://www/efis.psc.mo.gov/Comments.html. Please be aware that all public comments are viewable by the public. If submitting comments, again, please reference Case No. SO-2011-0020.

Sincerely,

Gary Verhaeghe, Managing Partner

S. T. Ventures LLC.