## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Central Rivers	)	
Wastewater Utility, Inc.'s Annual Report	)	Case No. SE-2005-0419

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), through counsel, and, for its Staff Recommendation, states to the Commission as follows:

- 1. On May 15, 2005, Central Rivers Wastewater Utility, Inc. ("Company") filed a request for an extension of more than 30 days after the ordinary due date of April 15, 2005, to file its Annual Report, requesting that it be permitted to file its Annual Report on or before July 15, 2005.
- 2. Although the Company did not submit its Application for Extension to File Annual Report until May 15, 2005, one month after the Annual Report was due, the Company had previously submitted a request and received approval for a 30-day extension to May 15, 2005, for submitting its annual report (see tracking number BARE-2005-0227).
- 3. In support of its request for the additional extension, the Company stated that its chief financial officer, Doris Geisinger, has had a debilitating illness that prevented her from assembling the documentation required for the Annual Report, and that its accountant has not been able to compile the required documentation because of the seasonal requirements imposed upon its business of tax preparation.
- 4. The Staff notes that the Company has pending before the Commission an application for a certificate of convenience and necessity to provide sewer services to an unincorporated area in Clay County, Missouri, designated as Case No. SA-2005-0302. The Staff is in the process of reviewing that application, and stated in a Status Report that it filed in Case No. SA-2005-0302 that is plans to file its Staff Recommendation in that case by June 6, 2005.

5. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.060 (4) and 4 CSR 240-3.335, the Staff has no objection to Central Rivers Wastewater's request for an extension. However, the Staff requests that the approval of the Application for Extension be conditioned upon the suspension of activities in Case No. SA-2005-0302 and upon a restriction that the Company not file any new cases until the Annual Report is submitted.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully reports that it has no objection to an Order granting Central Rivers Wastewater an extension of time to file its Annual Report until July 15, 2005, and asks that the Commission direct Central Rivers Wastewater to attach the Commission's Orders to the Annual Report that it submits. The Staff further requests that activities in Case No. SA-2005-0302 be suspended until the Annual Report is filed, and that the Company be ordered to file no new cases with the Commission until the Annual Report is submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

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