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1 (Starting time of conference: 10:00 a.m.)

2 P R O C E E D I N G S

3 JUDGE BUSHMANN: Why don't we go ahead and go on
4 the record.

5 Today's August 22nd, 2013, at 10:00 a.m. The
6 Commission has set this time for a Prehearing Conference
7 in the case captioned In The Matter Of Lake Region Water &
8 Sewer Company's Application To Implement A General Rate
9 Increase In Water And Sewer Service, File Nos.
10 WR-2013-0461 and SR-2013-0459.

11 My name is Michael Bushmann. I'm the Regulatory
12 Law Judge assigned to this case. I would request counsel
13 to begin making entries of appearance.

14 For Lake Regional Water & Sewer Company.

15 MR. COMLEY: Good morning, Judge Bushmann.
16 Appearing on behalf of Lake Region Water & Sewer Company,
17 let the record reflect the entry of Mark W. Comley of
18 Newman, Comley, and Ruth. Our business address is 601
19 Monroe, Suite 310, Jefferson City, Missouri.

20 JUDGE BUSHMANN: Thank you, Mr. Comley.

21 For Commission Staff?

22 MS. MOORE: Amy Moore and Kevin Thompson for the
23 Missouri Public Service Commission Staff, P.O. Box 360,
24 Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102.

25 JUDGE BUSHMANN: Thank you.

1 And Office of the Public Counsel.

2 MS. BAKER: Thank you. Christina Baker, P.O. Box
3 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102, appearing on behalf
4 of the Office of the Public Counsel and customers.

5 JUDGE BUSHMANN: Thank you. Is there anyone on
6 the telephone who hasn't identified themselves?

7 (No response.)

8 JUDGE BUSHMANN: I don't think that we have
9 anybody appearing by phone today. And there weren't any
10 applications to intervene, so we don't need to deal with
11 any of the intervention issues.

12 Last week, Staff filed a motion to consolidate
13 these cases. Do any of the parties have any objections to
14 that motion?

15 MR. COMLEY: No objection.

16 MS. BAKER: No objection.

17 JUDGE BUSHMANN: In that case, later, I'll issue
18 an order granting that motion.

19 MS. MOORE: Thank you, Judge.

20 JUDGE BUSHMANN: And we do have a joint proposed
21 procedural schedule due on August 30th. I would ask, when
22 you send that in, to please include the same items in the
23 procedural schedule that were included in the previous
24 rate case for this company. That was DR-2010-0111. Also,
25 include the test year with any update periods, any true-up

1 recommendations, date, and location for a local public
2 hearing, and the date for mailing customer notices.

3 Recently, there have been some disagreements about
4 having enough time to review compliance tariffs. So,
5 since the operation of law date is June 13, 2014, I think
6 for the Commission to be -- it will be necessary for the
7 Commission to vote out an order by May 15th of that year,
8 at the latest, to give enough time for the parties to
9 review any compliance tariffs.

10 So, for that to happen, I think that that means
11 that final briefs are going to need to be in by April 11th
12 -- or to give enough time for the Commission to review and
13 make its decision. So, please take that into
14 consideration when you're figuring out your schedule.

15 Also, at the same time that I issue the procedural
16 schedule, I'm also going to be issuing a discovery order.
17 So, if you have any specific requests for discovery, any
18 requirements that you would like to have included, why
19 don't you include that along with your proposed procedural
20 schedule so I can review that and issue it at the same
21 time.

22 That's all the issues that I had. Do the parties
23 have any issues that they need to bring to the
24 Commission's attention at this time?

25 (No response.)

1 JUDGE BUSHMANN: I don't hear any. So, thank you
2 very much. In that case, we're off the record.

3 (Adjournment.)

4 (Whereupon, the record ended at 10:04 a.m.)

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