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In the Matter of Osage Water)
Company's Request for a Rate)
Increase for Sewer Service) Case No.
Pursuant to the Public Service) SR-2000-556
Commission's Small Company Rate)
Increase Procedure.)

LEWIS R. MILLS, JR, Presiding,
DEPUTY CHIEF REGULATORY LAW JUDGE.

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P R O C E E D I N G S

JUDGE MILLS: We're on the record this morning in two cases, which are not consolidated. The first, is Case No. SR-2000-556, which is styled In the Matter of Osage Water Company's Request for a Rate Increase for Sewer Service Pursuant to the Public Service Commission's Small Company Rate Increase Procedure.

And the second case is, Case No. WR-2000-557, which is styled In the Matter of Osage Water Company's Request for a Rate Increase for Water Service Pursuant to the Public Service Commission's Small Company Rate Increase Procedure.

Let's begin by taking entries of appearance beginning on my left, Mr. Dandino?

MR. DANDINO: Michael F. Dandino, Office of the Public Counsel, Post Office Box 7800, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, representing the Office of the Public Counsel and the Public.

JUDGE MILLS: Mr. Krueger?

MR. KRUEGER: Keith R. Krueger for the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission. Our address is P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

1 JUDGE MILLS: And, Mr. Williams?

2 MR. WILLIAMS: Gregory Williams for Osage
3 Water Company. My address is P.O. Box 431 Sunrise
4 Beach, Missouri 65079.

5 JUDGE MILLS: Thank you.

6 From the state of the pleadings in this
7 case, it appears that it's Staff's position that
8 they don't have all of the information they need to
9 complete the small company audits in these two
10 cases, and from the pleadings filed by Osage Water,
11 it appears that Osage Water believes that it has
12 furnished everything that it's been asked of.

13 Has there been any discussions to try to
14 resolve this seeming impasse? I'll start in the
15 opposite direction this time, Mr. Williams?

16 MR. WILLIAMS: The only contact I've had
17 with Staff since the Motion was filed was an E-mail
18 from the manager of the water and sewer department
19 indicating they were going to prepare some rate
20 calculations. I have not seen those calculations.
21 I have not had any further contact from them.

22 JUDGE MILLS: And, Mr. Krueger?

23 MR. KRUEGER: I haven't talked with the
24 Company, but I believe that we've now completed the
25 EMS runs, and I thought that information had been

1 provided to you. It's my understanding that we can
2 probably prepare a recommended stipulation within a
3 couple of weeks. Rate design issues still need to
4 be addressed.

5 JUDGE MILLS: Okay. So we seem to have
6 gotten beyond the question of what documents need
7 to be provided and whether there's stuff still
8 outstanding; is that correct?

9 MR. KRUEGER: I believe we have all of the
10 documentation that we need at this time.

11 JUDGE MILLS: Okay. That's good news.

12 MR. KRUEGER: I'm glad to be the bearer.

13 JUDGE MILLS: Okay. Will it be fruitful
14 to have discussions today about the EMS run and
15 where you-all stand?

16 MR. KRUEGER: I think so.

17 JUDGE MILLS: Good.

18 Well, is there anything else we need to do
19 on the record then?

20 Hearing nothing, we will be adjourned.

21 Off the record.

22 WHEREUPON, the on-the-record portion of
23 the prehearing conference was concluded.

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