BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service)	
Commission,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	File No. WC-2008-0405
V.)	
)	
Dale Whiteside and Whiteside Hidden)	
Acres, L.L.C.)	
)	
Respondents.)	

STATUS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), through the undersigned counsel, and respectfully submits this *Status Report* to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) stating the following:

- 1. On June 19, 2008, Staff filed a *Complaint* in this case asserting Dale Whiteside and Whiteside Hidden Acres, L.L.C., (Respondents) are water corporations, and thus, public utilities subject to the jurisdiction, regulation and control of the Commission.
- 2. On September 8, 2008, the Commission ordered the evidentiary hearing in this case be held on January 20-21, 2009.
- 3. On January 13, 2009, Respondents filed an *Application* for a certificate of convenience and necessity (CCN) for water and sewer systems located in Hickory County, Missouri. The application was assigned File Nos. WA-2009-0261 and SA-2009-0262.
- 4. On January 14, 2009, Staff filed a motion in this case, requesting the Commission continue the hearing, with Staff to file a status report in 30 days. On January 15, 2009, the Commission granted Staff's motion, ordering a status report be filed on February 17,

2009. On February 17, 2009, Staff filed its status report stating it was seeking a feasibility study from the Respondents. Staff filed further status reports on April 7 and May 7, 2009.

- 5. From Staff's investigation conducted for the Respondents' *Application* filing, the Staff concludes that the sewer system operated by Whiteside Hidden Acres, L.L.C., does not qualify at this time as a Section 386.020 (49) RSMo (Supp. 2008) "sewer corporation", as it has less than twenty-five outlets. Staff conveyed its position to the Respondents, and on May 21, 2009, a voluntary dismissal in SA-2009-0262 was filed by Respondents' counsel.
- 6. While Staff has filed its *Staff Recommendation* in WA-2009-0261, Counsel for Staff respectfully requests the Commission allow this case, WC-2008-0405, to remain open until such time the Commission approves tariffs for any CCN granted in WA-2009-0261.

WHEREFORE, Counsel for Staff requests the Missouri Public Service Commission allow this complaint case to remain open until any certificate of convenience and necessity that is granted in WA-2009-0261 has approved tariffs on file with the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served on Lisa C. Henderson, attorney for the Respondents, P.O. Box 1141, 303 South Maple, Buffalo, MO 65622, hendersonatlaw@yahoo.com; and the Office of Public Counsel, 200 Madison Street P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, MO 65102, opcservice@ded.mo.gov this 21st day of May, 2009, either by hand delivery, electronic mail or First Class United States Mail, postage prepaid.

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