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

In the Matter of a Working Case to Consider	)	
Proposals to Create a Revenue Decoupling	) File No. AW-2015-028	<u> 32</u>
Mechanism for Utilities	)	

## NOTICE SCHEDULING WORKSHOP AND REQUESTING RESPONSES

Issue Date: August 5, 2015

The Commission opened this file to facilitate Staff's efforts to investigate the structure and operation of possible revenue decoupling mechanisms for use in Missouri. The Commission directed Staff to submit a report regarding its investigation by November 2, 2015. The Commission's Staff has filed a motion asking the Commission to invite interested stakeholders to comment on certain questions by September 1, as the basis for discussion at a workshop to be held on September 17.

The Commission will schedule the workshop on September 17, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Room 450 of the Governor Office Building. Interested stakeholders are invited to respond to the following questions by September 1, 2015:

- a) Please comment on the legality of decoupling in Missouri;
- b) Please comment on your interests and preferences for any of the various aspects related to revenue regulation and decoupling contained in "Revenue Regulation and Decoupling: A Guide to Theory and Application, June 2011, The Regulatory Assistance Project". (A copy of that document is available in the EFIS file for this case.);

- c) For responding utility stakeholders, assuming that your preferred revenue regulation decoupling mechanism described in your response to b) will result in a change in the rates of certain, if not all, customer rate classes, what is your estimate of the change in residential rates and rate impact resulting from your preferred mechanism? Would you expect those changed rates to be collected through a customer charge or a usage charge?; and
- d) Please provide sources or papers on alternative rate mechanisms, revenue decoupling, or similar topics that will further the Commission's knowledge on the subject of this case.

Staff intends to use the responses as a guide for discussion during the workshop.

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Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015.