

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

In the Matter of the Application of Southtown)
Utilities Company, Inc. for a Certificate of)
Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to)
Construct, Install, Operate, and Maintain a) **CASE NO.: WA-2005-0268 ET AL.**
Water System and Sanitary Sewer System for)
the Public, Located in an Unincorporated)
Area Near Bolivar, Polk County, Missouri.)
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**SECOND STATUS REPORT AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME TO FILE RECOMMENDATION**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Staff”), by and through Counsel, and for its *Second Status Report and Request for Extension of Time to File Recommendation*, states the following to the Missouri Public Service Commission (“Commission”):

1. On February 18, 2005, the Commission issued its *Order and Notice*, wherein, among other things, it directed Staff to file a status report, on or before March 31, 2005, regarding the date by which Staff would file its recommendation in this case.

2. In its March 31, 2005, *Status Report*, Staff indicated that it would file a recommendation by May 9, 2005. The Commission subsequently issued an extension to file a recommendation to June 10, 2005, at the request of the Staff.

3. The Staff has been in contact with the Company and is working to determine customer levels and rates which are acceptable to the owner and feasible for the customers. In addition, the Company has been contacted by the City of Bolivar regarding the possibility of the City purchasing the systems. It is Staff’s opinion that adequate time should be allowed for negotiations between the Company and the City. The Staff believes an extension to file a

recommendation by no later than Monday, July 11, 2005, will allow adequate time for negotiations between the Company and City of Bolivar, as well as to determine an acceptable rate calculation.

WHEREFORE, the Staff requests that the Commission extend by thirty-one days the deadline by which the Staff must submit its recommendation in this case, and that it direct the Staff to file its recommendation by no later than July 11, 2005.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed with first class postage, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or transmitted via e-mail to all counsel and/or parties of record this 7th day of June 2005.

/s/ Mary E. Weston

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