

**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)
Sewer System and to Supply and Render)
Sewer Service and Construct, Install, Operate)
and Maintain a Water System and to Supply)
and Render Water Service to the Public)
Located In and Around an Unincorporated)
Area Near Bolivar, Polk County, Missouri.)

Case No. WA-2005-0268 et al.
(Consolidated with SA-2005-0269)

RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF TARIFFS

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, and for its Recommendation for Approval of Tariffs ("Recommendation") states the following to the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission").

1. On August 23, 2005 (unless noted otherwise, all dates herein refer to the year 2005), the Commission issued an **Order Approving Applications for Certificates of Convenience and Necessity** ("Order") to Southtown Utilities Company, Inc. ("Company"), which became effective on the same date. As a part of its Order, the Commission directed the Company to submit separate and complete sewer and water tariffs consistent with the Order.

2. By a letter dated November 10, which was stamped "Received" at the Commission's office on November 14, the Company submitted complete new water and sewer tariffs intended to be in compliance with the above-referenced Commission Order. The subject tariffs bore issue dates of November 15 and effective dates of December 15. Upon being entered into the Commission's electronic filing and information system, the tariffs were assigned tariff tracking numbers JW-2006-0367 (water tariff) and JS-2006-0368 (sewer tariff).

3. The Staff has reviewed the Company's November 14 tariff filing and is of the opinion that the subject tariffs are in compliance with the Commission Order referenced in Paragraph 1 above. (Jim Merciel and Jerry Scheible of the Commission's Water & Sewer Department performed the review of the subject tariffs on behalf of the Staff.)

4. Upon Commission approval of the subject tariffs, no further action will be needed in this case and the case may thus be closed.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully recommends that the Commission issue an order that: (a) approves the above-referenced new complete tariffs to be effective as of December 15, 2005; and (b) closes this case.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of this Recommendation have been mailed with first class postage, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or transmitted by e-mail to all counsel and/or parties of record this 6th day of December 2005.

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