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

In the Matter of a Working Case to Investigate Solutions to )
Problems Facing Small Water and Sewer Public Utilities )

In the Matter of a Working Case to Investigate Appropriate )
Methods for Ratemaking Treatment of Fees or Other )
Mechanisms used for Capital Recovery of Sewer and )
Water Infrastructure Investment )

## ORDER CONSOLIDATING INVESTIGATIONS

Issue Date: June 16, 2011 Effective Date: June 16, 2011

On May 1, 2009, the Commission opened File Number WW-2009-0386 to investigate solutions to problems facing Missouri's small water and sewer public utilities. On August 19, 2010, the Commission opened files numbers SW-2011-0042 and WW-2011-0043 to investigate appropriate methods for ratemaking treatment of fees and other mechanisms used for capital recovery of sewer and water infrastructure investment.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.110(3) states that the Commission may join matters when they involve related questions of law or fact. The Commission finds these files do involve related legal and factual issues, and to serve the purposes of administrative economy the Commission will consolidate these investigations.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. File Numbers WW-2009-0386, SW-2011-0042 and WW-2011-0043 are consolidated. File Number WW-2009-0386 shall be the lead case, and File Numbers SW-2011-0042 and WW-2011-0043 shall be closed.

- 2. All future filings associated with the issues encompassed by these investigations shall be filed in File Number WW-2009-0386.
  - 3. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

(SEAL)

Steven C. Reed Secretary

Harold Stearley, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority under Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2011.