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Missouri Public Service Commission
Attn: Jim Russo
P. O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

RE: Water Utility Small Company Rate Increase Request

Mr. Russo:

Enclosed, for your review, is a copy of notice of rate increase and public hearing, mailed January 3, 2006, and a copy of the letter of filing with the PSC.

You may contact me at phone number 573-353-6155 if you have questions.

Sincerely,



Randy Clifford
President

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Secretary of the Commission
Missouri Public Service Commission
Attn: Data Center
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

RE: Notice of Proposed Rate Increase and Local Public Hearing
Small Water and Sewer Company Rate Increase Request
MO PSC Case Nos. SR-2006-0249 and WR-2006-0250

Dear Secretary:

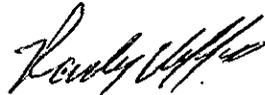
Enclosed for placement in each of the above-referenced Commission case files is a copy of the customer notice regarding the Company's proposed rate increase requests and the upcoming local public hearing for these cases.

This notice was mailed to the Company's customers today, and was approved by representatives of the Commission's Water & Sewer Department and representatives of the Office of the Public Counsel before it was mailed.

Please let me know if you need anything further regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Randy Clifford



Randy Clifford
Corporate President

Enclosure

Copies (w/enclosure):

Jim Russo – Commission Staff
Mark Wheatley – Public Counsel

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE INCREASE AND LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING

Based upon a request by the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel), a state agency responsible for representing the interests of consumers before the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission), the Commission will be holding a local public hearing regarding proposed changes to the customer rates of Hickory Hills Water & Sewer Company, Inc. (Company). The purpose of this local public hearing is to receive customer comments about the proposed changes to the Company's rates, and to bring recent service-related problems to the Commission's attention.

The local public hearing will be held January 19, 2006, at the California City Hall, Public Meeting Room, 500 South Oak Street, California, Missouri. The night's activities will begin with an informal question-and-answer session starting at 5:30 p.m. – with the local public hearing starting at 6:00 p.m. The facility at which this local public hearing is being held meets the accessibility standards required by the Americans With Disabilities Act. Any person that needs additional accommodations to participate in the local public hearing should call the Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211, or Relay Missouri at 711, no later than the end of business on January 17, 2006.

As the Company notified you by a letter dated September 9, 2005, the Company has requested increases of \$2,000 and \$2,500 in its annual water and sewer operating revenues, respectively. Subsequent to the Company submitting its request, the Staff of the Public Service Commission (Commission Staff) conducted a thorough audit of the Company's books and records and the operations of the Company. Based upon that audit, the Commission Staff has concluded that the requested increases of \$2,000 and \$2,500 in the Company's annual water and sewer operating revenues, respectively, are warranted.

The Company has reviewed the Commission Staff's recommendations related to its audit findings, has agreed to the Staff's recommendations and has filed tariff revisions with the Commission to implement those recommendations. A table summarizing the Company's proposed revisions to its rates and charges, and including a monthly customer bill comparison for a residential customer using 6,000 gallons of water, is set out at the end of this notice.

Any customer that has questions about the local public hearing, that has comments about the Company's proposed revisions to its rates and charges, or that has comments regarding recent service-related problems should contact the Commission Staff and/or the Public Counsel no later than the end of business on January 18, 2006. To do so, please use the mailing addresses, telephone numbers, fax numbers or e-mail addresses shown below, and please include a reference to Case No. SR-2006-0249 and/or WR-2006-0250.

Public Service Commission
Attn: Water & Sewer Department
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102
Phone: 800-392-4211
Fax: 573-751-1847
E-Mail: water.sewer@psc.mo.gov

Office of the Public Counsel
Attn: Water & Sewer Division
P.O. Box 2230
Jefferson City, MO 65102
Phone: 573-751-4857
Fax: 573-751-5562
E-Mail: mopco@ded.mo.gov

Lastly, please be advised that all currently available information regarding the Company's rate increase request may be obtained via the Public Service Commission's Website by following the directions below.

- 1) Go to <http://www.psc.mo.gov>
- 2) On that page, click on the "EFIS" button near the top on the right side of the page
- 3) On the next page, after reading the disclaimer, click on "I agree to terms above"
(if you get a Security Alert dialog box at this point, click on "OK")
- 4) On the next page, click on "Resources" near the top right of the page
- 5) On the next page, click on "Case Information"
- 6) On the next page, click on "Case Filing/Submission"
(if you get a Security Information dialog box at this point, click on "Yes")
- 7) On the next page, check the box to the left of "Case No."; enter SR-2006-0249 or WR-2006-0250 in the box to the right of Case No.; scroll to the bottom of the page and click on "Search"
- 8) On the next page, click on the number in the left column to view a particular document
(to better identify the documents that are in the case file, click on the underlined case number at the top of the page, this will take you to another page where you can also open individual documents)

If you have questions about this notice, or about anything else with which I may be of assistance, please feel free to contact me at (660) 433-5366.

Sincerely,

/s/ Randy Clifford



Randy Clifford
Corporate President

WATER SERVICE

<u>Type of Charge</u>	<u>Current Rates</u>	<u>Proposed Rates</u>
Monthly Customer Charge	\$13.01	\$14.61
Water Usage Charge (per 1,000 gallons)	\$2.58	\$2.90
Total Monthly Bill (at 6,000 gallons usage)	\$28.49	\$32.01

SEWER SERVICE

<u>Type of Charge</u>	<u>Current Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>
Monthly Flat Rate	\$12.35	\$16.78