

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office in  
Jefferson City on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of  
July, 2013.

In the Matter of Lake Region Water & Sewer	)	
Company's Application to Implement a General	)	<b><u>File No. WR-2013-0461</u></b>
Rate Increase in Water and Sewer Service	)	YW-2014-0024
In the Matter of Lake Region Water & Sewer	)	
Company's Application to Implement a General	)	<b><u>File No. SR-2013-0459</u></b>
Rate Increase in Water and Sewer Service	)	YS-2014-0023

**ORDER SUSPENDING TARIFFS AND DELEGATING AUTHORITY**

Issue Date: July 31, 2013

Effective Date: July 31, 2013

On July 16, 2013, Lake Region Water & Sewer Company ("Lake Region") submitted a tariff designed to implement a general rate increase for utility service. Lake Region indicates the new utility service rates are designed to increase its annual revenues by approximately \$218,762, exclusive of applicable gross receipts, sales, or franchise fees. The submitted tariffs carry an effective date of August 15, 2013.

***The Commission's Authority to Suspend Proposed Tariffs***

Section 393.150, RSMo 2000, authorizes the Commission to suspend the effective date of a proposed tariff for 120 days, plus an additional six months to allow for a hearing on the matter. So that it will have sufficient time to study the effect of Lake Region's general rate increase tariffs and to determine if they are just, reasonable, and in the public interest, the Commission will suspend those tariffs for a period of 120 days beyond the

requested effective date. Furthermore, because a hearing on the tariffs cannot be concluded within 120 days, the tariffs will be suspended for an additional six months.

***The Commission's Authority to Delegate Authority***

Section 386.240, RSMo, 2000, provides:

The commission may authorize any person employed by it to do or perform any act, matter or thing which the commission is authorized by this chapter to do or perform; provided, that no order, rule or regulation of any person employed by the commission shall be binding on any public utility or any person unless expressly authorized or approved by the commission.

The Commission will soon issue a discovery order in this case. To ensure that all discovery disputes are ruled upon expeditiously, the Commission will delegate its authority to the Regulatory Law Judge to rule on discovery disputes raised at the discovery conferences and to rule on all motions to compel discovery.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The tariffs submitted on July 16, 2013 by Lake Region Water & Sewer Company under Tariff Tracking Numbers YW-2014-0024 and YS-2014-0023, for the purpose of increasing rates for utility service, are suspended for 120 days, from August 15, 2013 to December 13, 2013.

2. The tariffs suspended for 120 days in ordered paragraph 1 are suspended an additional six months beyond December 13, 2013, to June 13, 2014.

3. The specific tariff sheets suspended are:

**P.S.C. MO. No. 1**

Second Revised Sheet No. 4, replacing First Revised Sheet No. 4  
Second Revised Sheet No. 5, replacing First Revised Sheet No. 5  
First Revised Sheet No. 7-A, replacing Original Sheet No. 7-A

**P.S.C. MO. No. 2**

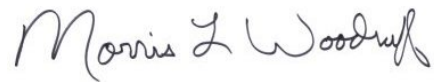
Third Revised Sheet No. 6, replacing Second Revised Sheet No. 6  
Third Revised Sheet No. 7, replacing Second Revised Sheet No. 7  
Second Revised Sheet No. 8, replacing First Revised Sheet No. 8

4. The Presiding Officer has full authority and shall rule on any discovery disputes during all discovery conferences.

5. The Presiding Officer has full authority to rule on any motion to compel discovery.

6. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

R. Kenney, Chm., Jarrett, Stoll,  
and W. Kenney, CC., concur.

Bushmann, Regulatory Law Judge