## STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Commission held at its office in

At a session of the Public Service

Jefferson City on the 30th day of April, 2014.

In the Matter of the Application of
Peaceful Valley Service Company's Request
For Increase in Sewer Operating Revenues

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For Increase in Water Operating Revenues

Jefferson City on the 30th day of April, 2014.

File No. SR-2014-0153
Tracking No. YS-2014-0425

File No. WR-2014-0154
Tracking No. YW-2014-0426

## ORDER SUSPENDING TARIFF AND GRANTING REQUEST FOR LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING

Issue Date: April 30, 2014 Effective Date: April 30, 2014

On November 20, 2013, Peaceful Valley Service Company ("Company") initiated small water and sewer company rate increase actions, pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050. On April 21, 2014, Company and the Staff of the Public Service Commission ("Staff") entered into an Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Rate Increase Request. The Office of the Public Counsel ("Public Counsel") did not join in the agreement. On April 24<sup>th</sup>, Company filed with the Commission revised tariff sheets, consistent with the terms of the agreement between Company and Staff. The tariff sheets have a June 15, 2014 effective date.

On April 24<sup>th</sup>, Public Counsel requested the Commission suspend the tariff sheets and conduct a local public hearing. Public Counsel indicates it has concerns with the calculated costs of service, as presented in the agreement between Company and

Staff. Public Counsel also expressed concerns about a proposal for Company to maintain monthly specialized recordkeeping adjustments.

The time-line filed by Staff, taken from the timeframes listed in Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050(5), contemplates holding a local public hearing on, or around, June 23, 2014. Additionally, Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.110(1) requires the Commission to set the time and place for hearings and serve notice as required by law. Section 536.067(4), RSMo 2000, and Section 386.390.5, RSMo 2000, require at least ten days' notice be given prior to a hearing. The Commission shall set the date for the local public hearing by separate order that is as reasonably close to June 23, 2014 as is practical.

Public Counsel also requested the Commission waive the requirement under Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050(14) that written notice of the revised tariff be provided to customers within five working days of Company's tariff filings. The Commission does not find good cause exists for the delay in written notice, and will therefore deny the request for waiver.

The Commission will suspend the tariffs in order to provide sufficient time for a local public hearing.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The following revised sewer service tariff sheets filed by Peaceful Valley Service Company on April 24, 2014, and assigned Tariff File No. YS-2014-0425, is suspended until August 22, 2014, or until otherwise ordered by the Commission:

P.S.C. MO No. 4
Canceling P.S.C. MO No. 3

2. The following revised water service tariff sheets filed by Peaceful Valley Service Company on April 24, 2014, and assigned Tariff File No. YW-2014-0426, is suspended until August 22, 2014, or until otherwise ordered by the Commission:

P.S.C. MO No. 3
Canceling P.S.C. MO No. 2

- 3. The motion to suspend the tariff filed by the Office of the Public Counsel is granted.
  - 4. The request for waiver filed by the Office of the Public Counsel is denied.
  - 5. The Commission shall set a local public hearing by separate order.
  - 6. This order shall become effective immediately upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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R. Kenney, Chm., Stoll, W. Kenney, Hall and Rupp, CC., concur.

Burton, Regulatory Law Judge