

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office in
Jefferson City on the 21st day of
May, 2013.

In the Matter of the Small Company)	
Rate Increase for Woodland Manor)	<u>File No. WR-2013-0326</u>
Water Company, LLC)	Tariff No. YW-2013-0500

**ORDER APPROVING SMALL COMPANY RATE INCREASE
AND APPROVING TARIFF**

Issue Date: May 21, 2013

Effective Date: June 28, 2013

This order approves the Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Water Company Revenue Increase Request between the Staff of the Commission and Woodland Manor Water Company, LLC. It also approves a tariff implementing the agreed-upon rate increase.

On December 6, 2012, Woodland Manor initiated a small company rate increase request under Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050, seeking an increase of \$20,000 in its annual water service operating revenues. The company provides retail water service to approximately 164 customers in Stone County, Missouri. In response to Woodland Manor's request, the Commission's Staff audited the company's books and records, reviewed the company's existing tariff, inspected the company's facilities, and reviewed the company's operation of those facilities.

On May 6, 2013, Staff and Woodland Manor filed a disposition agreement to resolve all issues in between them. Among other terms, that agreement allows the company to

increase its operating revenue by \$24,141. Woodland Manor filed a proposed tariff on May 13 to implement the terms of the disposition agreement. That tariff carries an effective date of June 28.

The Office of the Public Counsel did not join in the disposition agreement, but on May 13 filed notice indicating it would not oppose the agreement and would not request a hearing.

The Commission has authority to accept a disposition agreement as offered by the parties pursuant to 4 CSR 240-3.050(25). The requirement for a hearing is met when the opportunity for hearing has been provided and no proper party has requested the opportunity to present evidence.¹ Since no one has requested a hearing, the Commission may grant the relief requested based on the disposition agreement.

The Commission independently finds and concludes that the disposition agreement is reasonable and should be approved. Furthermore, Woodland Manor's proposed tariff and the rates it establishes, are just and reasonable and will be approved.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Water Company Revenue Increase Request concerning Woodland Manor Water Company, LLC's request for a rate increase is approved.
2. Woodland Manor Water Company and the Commission's Staff shall comply with the terms of the Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Water Company Revenue Increase Request.

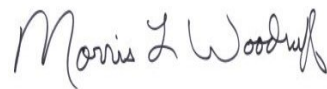
¹ *State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission*, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989).

3. The tariff filed by Woodland Manor Water Company, LLC, on May 6, 2013, and assigned Tariff File No. YW-2013-0500, is approved for service on and after June 28, 2013:

**P.S.C. MO No. 2
Canceling P.S.C. MO No. 1**

4. This order shall become effective on June 28, 2013.

BY THE COMMISSION



Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

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

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge