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Witness: Neddie K. Goss 9-18-19 *BJW*
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Inc.
Lake Area Waste Water
Association, Inc.
Case Nos.: Case No. WA-2019-0185
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MISSOURI WATER ASSOCIATION, INC.

LAKE AREA WASTE WATER ASSOCIATION, INC.

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DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

NEDDIE K. GOSS

July, 2019

Joint Bidder Exhibit No. 401
Date 9-18-19 Reporter BSB
File No. WA-2019-0185

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI


In the matter of the Application of Osage Utility)
Operating Company, Inc. to Acquire Certain) Case No. WA-2019-0185
Water and Sewer Assets and for a Certificate of) and SA-2019-0186
Convenience and Necessity)

AFFIDAVIT OF NEDDIE K. GOSS

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss.
COUNTY OF Miller)

I, Neddie K. Goss, of lawful age, and being duly sworn, do hereby depose and state:

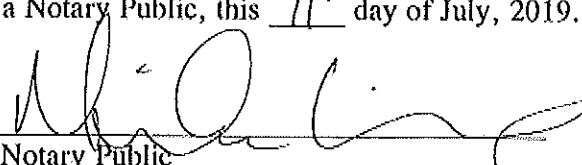
1. My name is Neddie K. Goss. I am the Administrator of Lake Area Waste Water Association, Inc. and Missouri Water Association, Inc.
2. Attached hereto and made a part hereof for all purposes is my direct testimony.
3. I hereby swear and affirm that my answers contained in the attached testimony to the questions therein propounded are true and correct to the best of my personal knowledge, information and belief.



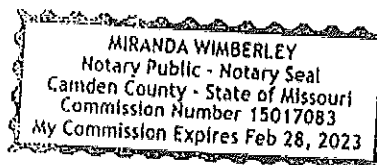
Neddie K. Goss

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 11th day of July, 2019.

My Commission expires: 2/28/23



Notary Public



1 DIRECT TESTIMONY

2 OF

3 NEDDIE K. GOSS

4 CASE NOS. WA-2019-0185

5 **Q. Please state your full name.**

6 A: Neddie K. Goss

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8 **Q. What is your affiliation with Lake Area Waste Water Association, Inc.**
9 **("LAWWA")?**

10 A. I am an administrator.

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12 **Q. What is your affiliation with Missouri Water Association, Inc. ("MWA")?**

13 A. I am an administrator.

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15 **Q. How long have these entities been in operation?**

16 A. Since 2010.

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18 **Q. Please generally describe the business of LAWWA.**

19 A. Lake Area Waste Water Association, Inc. is a nonprofit sewer company that
20 provides sewage collection services to its Members. It was formed pursuant to
21 sections 393.825 to 393.861 and section 393.175 RSMo., for the specific purpose
22 of owning and operating wastewater treatment systems. LAWWA is a not for
23 profit company with voluntary membership. Membership is gained by applying

1 for and receiving sewer services from LAWWA. LAWWA falls into IRS tax
2 category 501(C)(12), and operates in a similar fashion as an electric cooperative.
3 LAWWA is governed by a Board of Directors that are elected by the Members
4 pursuant to RSMo 393.843.

5 LAWWA has over 2700 members consisting of over 50 treatment facilities
6 throughout the state with its principal location of Camdenton Missouri. The bulk
7 of the membership is located in Camden, Miller and Morgan Counties. LAWWA
8 maintains individual home and community lift stations, service connections and
9 force mains as well as gravity lines to the wastewater treatment facilities. Types
10 of treatment that LAWWA has are extended aeration, recirculating sand filters,
11 and advantex (packed bed media filters).

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13 **Q. Please generally describe the business of MWA.**

14 A. Missouri Water Association, Inc. is a nonprofit sewer company that provides
15 water treatment services to its Members. It was formed pursuant to sections
16 393.900 to 393.951 and Chapter 355 RSMo., for the specific purpose of owning
17 and operating drinking water systems. MWA is a not for profit company with
18 voluntary membership. Membership is gained by applying for and receiving
19 water services from MWA. MWA falls into IRS tax category 501(C)(12), and
20 operates in a similar fashion as an electric cooperative. MWA is governed by a
21 Board of Directors that are elected by the Members pursuant to RSMo 393.927.
22 MWA has over 1000 members with 20 water production wells with its principal
23 location of Camdenton Missouri. The memberships are located in Camden,

1 Miller and Morgan counties. MWA is responsible for the source, pumps, storage,
2 and distribution to the service connection. Types of treatment that MWA has
3 include chlorination (disinfection and iron removal), softening and filtration.
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5 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

6 A. The purpose of my testimony is to:

7 A. Explain the agreement between PWSD#5 and Lake Area Waste Water
8 Association, Inc. ("LAWWA") and Missouri Water Association, Inc.
9 ("MWA") with respect to the purchase of the Osage Water Company
10 assets;

11 B. Explain the anticipated repairs and improvements to the Chelsea Rose
12 water and sewer facilities and anticipated rates;

13 C. Explain the anticipated repairs and improvements to the Eagle Woods
14 water and sewer facilities and anticipated rates;

15 D. Explain the anticipated repairs and improvements to the Cimarron Bay
16 water and sewer facilities and anticipated rates.

17 E. Explain the benefits to the owners and general public of LAWWA and
18 MWA purchasing the water and sewer systems of Chelsea Rose, Eagle
19 Woods, and Cimarron Bay.

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21 **Q. What repairs and improvements do LAWWA and MWA anticipate with**
22 **respect to the Chelsea Rose water and sewer systems?**

1 A. LAWWA and MWA do not currently have a report stating what repairs and
2 improvements are required by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources at
3 this time. LAWWA and MWA, upon receipt, will review the reports and make
4 the necessary improvements to the water and sewer system.

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6 **Q. What do LAWWA and MWA anticipate the water and sewer rates to be for**
7 **the owners in Chelsea Rose subdivision?**

8 A. LAWWA's rate is \$60.00/month/unit. MWA's rate is \$34.00/month/unit.

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10 **Q. How would LAWWA and MWA's purchase of the Chelsea Rose water and**
11 **sewer systems benefit the owners of lots in the Chelsea Rose subdivision and**
12 **the general public?**

13 A. Chelsea Rose Subdivision, once receiving water and sewer services from
14 LAWWA and MWA, become Members of LAWWA and MWA and have rights
15 pursuant to the bylaws of the respective organizations as well as the revised
16 statutes named above. Members are not held liable for the actions or inactions of
17 LAWWA and MWA. Should either LAWWA or MWA dissolve, Chelsea Rose
18 Subdivision receives the facilities that are serving the subdivision back.

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20 **Q. What repairs and improvements do LAWWA and MWA anticipate with**
21 **respect to the Eagle Woods water and sewer systems?**

22 A. LAWWA and MWA do not currently have a report stating what repairs and
23 improvements are required by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources at

1 this time. LAWVA and MVA, upon receipt, will review the reports and make
2 the necessary improvements to the water and sewer system.

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4 **Q. What do LAWVA and MVA anticipate the water and sewer rates to be for**
5 **the owners in Eagle Woods subdivision?**

6 A. LAWVA's rate is \$60.00/month/unit. MVA's rate is \$34.00/month/unit.

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8 **Q. How would LAWVA and MVA's purchase of the Eagle Woods water and**
9 **sewer systems benefit the owners of lots in the Eagle Woods subdivision and**
10 **the general public?**

11 A. Eagle Woods Subdivision, once receiving water and sewer services from
12 LAWVA and MVA, become Members of LAWVA and MVA and have rights
13 pursuant to the bylaws of the respective organizations as well as the revised
14 statutes named above. Members are not held liable for the actions or inactions of
15 LAWVA and MVA. Should either LAWVA or MVA dissolve, Eagle Woods
16 Subdivision receives the facilities that are serving the subdivision back.

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18 **Q. What repairs and improvements do LAWVA and MVA anticipate with**
19 **respect to the Cimarron Bay water and sewer systems?**

20 A. LAWVA and MVA do not currently have a report stating what repairs and
21 improvements are required by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources at
22 this time. LAWVA and MVA, upon receipt, will review the reports and make
23 the necessary improvements to the water and sewer system.

1 **Q. What do LAWVA and MVA anticipate the water and sewer rates to be for**
2 **the owners in Cimarron Bay subdivision?**

3 A. LAWVA's rate is \$60.00/month/unit. MVA's rate is \$34.00/month/unit.

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5 **Q. How would LAWVA and MVA's purchase of the Cimarron Bay water and**
6 **sewer systems benefit the owners of lots in the Cimarron Bay subdivision and**
7 **the general public?**

8 A. Cimarron Bay Subdivision, once receiving water and sewer services from
9 LAWVA and MVA, become Members of LAWVA and MVA and have rights
10 pursuant to the bylaws of the respective organizations as well as the revised
11 statutes named above. Members are not held liable for the actions or inactions of
12 LAWVA and MVA. Should either LAWVA or MVA dissolve, Cimarron Bay
13 Subdivision receives the facilities that are serving the subdivision back.

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15 **Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?**

16 A. Yes.

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