

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
November 27, 2001**

CASE NO: SC-99-135

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Enclosed find certified copy of ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

Uncertified Copy:

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

Staff of the Missouri Public Service
Commission,

Complainant,

v.

House Springs Sewer Company,

Respondent.

Case No. SC-99-135

FIFTH ORDER DIRECTING FILING

This order extends the time for Staff to file a report, giving information required by the Commission.

In its fourth order directing filing, issued on October 24, 2001, the Missouri Public Service Commission directed its Staff to file by November 23, 2001, answers to certain questions set out in that order.

On November 21, 2001, the Staff filed its motion to extend the time to provide its answers to the Commission's questions. Staff stated that November 23, 2001, was a state holiday, and that the Staff assigned to answer the Commission's questions have been working on Chapter 3 rules and have been preparing testimony in a certificate case. Thus, Staff requested that the Commission extend the time to respond to the Commission's questions until November 30, 2001.

Staff filed the motion under Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.050(3), which covers the modification by the Commission of the time an act must be done.

The rule states:

When an act is required or allowed to be done by order or rule of the commission at or within a specified time, the commission, at its discretion, may--

- (A) Order the period enlarged before the expiration of the period originally prescribed or as extended by a previous order; or
- (B) After the expiration of the specified period, permit the act to be done where the failure to act was the result of excusable neglect.

The Commission finds that Staff has made a good-faith effort to substantially comply with this rule and will grant the continuance under that rule.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission must, no later than November 30, 2001, file with the Commission a pleading, giving the answers to the questions set out in the fourth order directing filing issued on October 24, 2001.
2. That any other party may, but is not required to, file a response to Staff's pleading, no later than December 10, 2001.
3. That this order will become effective on November 27, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION

(SEAL)



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Bill Hopkins, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority under
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 27th day of November, 2001.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and
I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,
Missouri, this 27th day of Nov. 2001.



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

