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Missouri Public Service Commission

Secretary of the Commission Missouri Public Service Commission Attn: Data Center P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, MO 65102

RE: Requests for Increases in Annual Sewer & Water System Operating Revenues
MO PSC Small Utility Rate Case Procedure

Dear Secretary:

Hickory Hills Water & Sewer Company (the Company) holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by the Missouri Public Service Commission (the Commission), under which the Company provides sewer collection and treatment services and water supply and distribution services in Moniteau County, Missouri. The Company is currently operating under the control of a Receiver pursuant to an Order of the Moniteau County Circuit Court that originally became effective on January 2, 2007, and which was issued in response to actions taken by the Commission. I was appointed Receiver on January 2, 2007, and a copy of the Order appointing me is attached hereto.

The Commission first authorized the Company to provide regulated sewer utility service in 1975, Case No. 18206, and regulated water utility service in 1975, Case No. 18205. The Company currently provides service to approximately 49 sewer customers and approximately 47 water customers within its certificated areas under the provision of its Commission-approved tariffs. The Company's customer rates for sewer service were last changed in August 2009.

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-3.050, the Commission's rule pertaining to rate increase requests made by qualifying small utilities, the Company is hereby requesting an increase of 25% in its annual sewer system operating revenues and an increase of 25% in its annual water system operating revenues. The Company understands that the design of its customer rates, its service charges, its customer service practices, its general business practices and its general tariff provisions will also be reviewed during the Commission Staff's review of the rate increase requests, and may thus be the subject of Staff recommendations at the conclusion of the rate increase process.

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The specific reasons for the requested increases in the Company's annual operating revenues for sewer service include: increases in utility plant investment; increases in operation and maintenance expenses; increases in the Commission's annual utility assessments; increases in the Department of Natural Resources' annual sewer discharge permit fees; changes in the number and type of customers served; etc.

The specific reasons for the requested increases in the Company's annual operating revenues for water service include: increases in utility plant investment; increases in operation and maintenance expenses; increases in the Commission's annual utility assessments; changes in the number and type of customers served; etc.

Furthermore, the Company requests a waiver of Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-4.020(2), requiring notice to be filed with the Secretary of the Commission a minimum of sixty (60) days prior to filing a small company rate case.

Lastly, I wish to advise you that the Company is current on the payment of its Commission annual assessments and the filing of its Commission annual reports. Additionally, the Company will remain current on these items during the small company rate increase procedure.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. Please contact me at your convenience if you need additional information regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Gary V. Cover

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Enclosure

pc: Jim Russo, Commission Staff

Christina Baker, Office of the Public Counsel





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05/22/2009	Order
	The Court hereby approves Receiver's Interim fees and expenses in the amount of Sixty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Nine and 91/100 Dollars (\$62,439.91). The Receiver is authorized to pay said fees and expenses from Corporate assets as same become available. SO ORDERED: Judge Jon Beetem JEB/cc
	Filed By: JON EDWARD BEETEM
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05/04/2009	Motion Filed
	Motion for Approval of Interim Receiver Fees and Expenses
	Filed By: GARY VANCE COVER
	Associated Entries:05/22/2009 - Order
	Filing:
	Report of Receiver
	Filed By: GARY VANCE COVER
09/14/2007	Order to Pay Out
	The Court hereby approves Receiver's Interim fees and expenses in the amount of Thirty-One Thousand Three Hundred Eight-Five and 50/100 Dollars (\$31,385.50). The Receiver is authorized to pay said fees and expenses from Corporate assets as same become available. //lc/JEB
	Filed By: JON EDWARD BEETEM
	Hearing Held
	Scheduled For: 09/14/2007; 9:00 AM; JON EDWARD BEETEM; Cole Circuit
09/05/2007	Hearing Scheduled
	Associated Entries:09/14/2007 - Hearing Held
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08/29/2007	Motion Filed
	Motion for Approval of Interim Receiver Fees and Expenses. Notice of Entry included. mw.
04/00/0007	
01/02/2007	Tried by Court-Civil
	Judgment Entered
	It is ordered, adjudged and decreed that control of Hickory Hills Water and Sewer Co., Inc. in the best interests of its customers shall not be returned to its current owners. That Gary V. Cover is appointed permanent receiver of Hickory Hills Water & Sewer Co. That Gary V. Cover shall submit a quarterly accounting of his hours to the Court for approval and that his rate of compensation shall be \$150.00 per hour. That the assets of Hickory Hills Water & Sewer Co., Inc. shall be attached and Mr. Cover is directed to transfer the utility by sale or liquidate the assets of the utility. //IIh/JEB
	Hearing Held
	Scheduled For: 01/02/2007; 1:00 PM; PATRICIA S JOYCE; Cole Circuit
	Order for Change of Judge
	Cause transferred to Judge Jon Beetem.
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12/07/2006	
12/07/2006	Hearing Scheduled Associated Entries:01/02/2007 - Hearing Held

	Hearing/Trial Cancelled
	Due to conflict in Court schedule cause removed from 12/14/06 docket. Matter scheduled for status review/trial setting on 1/2/07 at 1:00 p.m. (Parties so notified via copy of docket entry)
	Scheduled For: 12/14/2006; 11:15 AM; THOMAS JOSEPH BROWN III; Cole Circuit
11/06/2006	Court Trial Scheduled
	Associated Entries:12/07/2006 - Hearing/Trial Cancelled
	Scheduled For: 12/14/2006; 11:15 AM; THOMAS JOSEPH BROWN III; Cole Circuit
	Case Review
	Parties appear; Cause set for hearing 12/14/06 at 11:15 a.m. (see form 1) /s/TJB (Copy of docket entry directed to parties 11/8/06)
	Associated Entries:11/03/2006 - Hearing Scheduled
	Scheduled For: 11/06/2006; 1:00 PM; THOMAS JOSEPH BROWN III; Cole Circuit
11/03/2006	Hearing Scheduled
	Associated Entries:11/06/2006 - Case Review 👪
Western Co.	Scheduled For: 11/06/2006; 1:00 PM; THOMAS JOSEPH BROWN III; Cole Circuit
11/01/2006	Notice
	Notice of Trial Setting, filed.rd
	Filed By: JENNIFER LEIGH HEINTZ
10/31/2006	Correspondence Filed
	Filed By: HICKORY HILLS WATER AND SEWER CO INC
10/23/2006	Summons Personally Served
	Document ID - 06-SMCC-1158; Served To - HICKORY HILLS WATER AND SEWER CO INC; Server - MONITEAU COUNTY SHERIFF; Served Date - 18-OCT-06; Served Time - 19:20:00; Service Type - Sheriff Department; Reason Description - Served
09/26/2006	Summons Issued-Circuit
	Document ID: 06-SMCC-1158, for HICKORY HILLS WATER AND SEWER CO INC;
09/25/2006	Pet Filed in Circuit Ct
	Petition for the Appointment of a Receiver for Hickory Hills Water & Sewer Co Inc., filed. mkh Filed By: JENNIFER LEIGH HEINTZ
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