

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

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| <b>In the Matter of the Transfer of Assets of</b> | ) |                                     |
| <b>Hillcrest Utilities Company from Blomeyer</b>  | ) |                                     |
| <b>Investments, Inc. to Brandco Investments,</b>  | ) | <b><u>Case No. SM-2007-0262</u></b> |
| <b>LLC.</b>                                       | ) |                                     |

**MOTION FOR ORDER DIRECTING FILING  
AND FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and, for its Motion for Order Directing Filing and for Extension of Time states the following to the Missouri Public Service Commission.

1. By an order issued on May 10, 2007, the Commission directed the Staff to file its recommendation regarding the application that is the subject of this case by May 31, 2007.

2. In preparing its recommendation for this case, the Staff has identified an issue that needs to be addressed before the Staff can file its recommendation. The issue at hand is that the application does not clearly state whether Brandco Investments, LLC will operate the utility systems it is acquiring under that name or whether it will do so under some other name. Since the application that is the subject of this case involves a transfer of assets, this matter needs to be clarified so that it is clear to whom a certificate of necessity needs to be issued, and so that the proper entity is known for purposes of the adoption of Hillcrest Utilities Company's tariff.

3. The Staff will be able to file its recommendation within ten days after the issue discussed in Paragraph 2 is resolved, and notes that it will recommend that the subject application be approved.

**WHEREFORE**, the Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order directing Brandco Investments, LLC to make a filing that identifies the corporate entity that will own

the utility assets and that will hold the certificate of convenience and necessity, and the Staff further respectfully requests that the Commission extend the date for the filing of the Staff's recommendation, consistent with Paragraph 3 herein.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of this Motion have been mailed with first-class postage, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or transmitted via e-mail to all counsel and/or parties of record this 31st day of May 2007.

/s/ **Keith R. Krueger**