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Missouri Public Service Commission

RE: Case No. WR-2000-68 AND SR-2000-69

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of a JOINT REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely your

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the matter of Terre Du Lac Utilities Corporation Water Rate Increase Request.)	ì	Case No. WR-2000-68
In the matter of Terre Du Lac Utilities Corporation Sewer Rate Increase Request.)		Case No. SR-2000-69

JOINT REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

COME Now the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), Terre Du Lac Utilities Corporation (Company) and the Office of the Public Counsel (OPC), and for their <u>Joint</u>

<u>Request for Extension of Time</u> state to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) the following:

- 1. On November 21, 2000, the Commission issued an <u>Order Directing Filing</u> (November 21 Order) in the above-styled cases, wherein it directed various filings by the Staff, the Company and the OPC (the Parties), both individually and jointly.
- 2. On December 22, 2001, the Staff made the filing required by the Commission's November 21 Order.
- 3. Ordered Section 2 of the Commission's November 21 Order directed the Parties to file a "joint corrective action plan" regarding improvements to the Company's sewer collection system, with the filing to be made not later than January 12, 2001.
- 4. Ordered Section 3 of the Commission's November 21 Order directed the Parties to file a "joint corrective action plan" regarding aesthetic water quality issues, with that filing also to be made not later than January 12, 2001.

- 5. In addition to the joint filings noted above, the Commission's Order also directed the Company and the OPC to respond to the Staff's filing of December 22, 2000, not later than January 12, 2001.
- 6. On January 12, 2001, the Parties filed a Joint Motion for Extension of Time requesting an extension of two weeks, to January 26, 2001, for filing the documents required by the Commission's November 21 Order. The Commission granted this request by an order issued on January 25, 2001.
- 7. The Parties have been working on the required joint corrective action plans and a near-final draft of the documents has been circulated among the Parties for review and comment. However, the plans have not yet been finalized, primarily because the lead member of the Staff's team assigned to this case was out of the office due to illness from January 23-25, 2001. Additionally, the Company's president was not available to give final approval to the plans since noon of January 25, 2001, and will not be available to do so until the beginning of business on January 30, 2001.
- 8. In order to finalize the joint corrective action plans the Parties request that the deadline for filing the joint corrective action plans be extended from January 26, 2001 to February 1, 2001.
- 9. In order to allow the Company and the OPC to properly respond to the Staff's December 22 filing, and to allow those responses to be filed in conjunction with the required joint filings, the Company and the OPC also request that the deadline for filing those responses be extended from January 26, 2001 to February 1, 2001.

WHEREFORE, the Parties respectfully request that the Commission extend the deadline for the filings that are due pursuant to the Commission's Order Directing Filing, from January 26, 2001 to February 1, 2001.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 26th day of January 2001.

Service List for Case No. WR-2000-68/SR-2000-69 January 12, 2001 (ccl)

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