

**In the Matter of Lake Region Water & Sewer)
Company's Application to Implement a General) File No. WR-2013-0461 et. al
Rate Increase in Water and Sewer Service)**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and, on behalf of itself, Lake Region Water & Sewer Company (“Lake Region” or “the Company”), and the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel), states as follows:

2. On July 19, 2013, the Commission issued an *Order Directing Notice, Setting Intervention Deadline, Setting Prehearing Conference and Directing Filing of Proposed Procedural Schedule*, which directed the parties to file a proposed procedural schedule on or before August 30, 2013. In compliance with that Order, the parties hereby propose and respectfully request the Commission adopt the following procedural schedule:

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Prehearing/Settlement Conference	December 16 - 20, 2013
List of Issues (Preliminary - not filed)	December 27, 2013
Rebuttal Testimony (all parties)	January 10, 2014
Discovery Conference	January 15, 2014
Surrebuttal Testimony (all parties)	January 31, 2014
Stipulation of Non-disputed Material Facts	February 4, 2014
Joint List and Order of Issues, List and Order of Witnesses, Order of Cross-Examination	February 7, 2014
Statements of Position	February 10, 2014
Reconciliation for Issues to be heard	February 11, 2014
Evidentiary Hearing	February 18 - 21, 2014
True-Up Direct Testimony (all parties)	March 6, 2014
True-Up Rebuttal Testimony	March 11, 2014
True-Up Hearing	March 18, 2014
Initial Post-Hearing Briefs (all parties)	March 21, 2014
Reply/True-Up Briefs (all parties)	April 4, 2014
Operation of Law Date	June 13, 2014

3. As reflected in, and in addition to, the above procedural schedule, the parties make the following agreements:

- a. Customer notice will be provided at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the local public hearing.
- b. The test year for this case will be the twelve (12) months ending June 30, 2013, with a true-up period through December 31, 2013.
- c. Discovery Conferences will be held in Room 305 at the Commission's office at the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. Each Discovery Conference will begin at 10 a.m.
- d. Not less than two business days before each discovery conference, any party that has a discovery disagreement or concern involving another party shall file a brief statement describing that disagreement or concern and identifying any other parties involved. Such statement does not need

to be a formal motion to compel. Any party may attend a discovery conference, but only those parties involved in an identified discovery disagreement or concern must attend. If the parties do not identify any discovery disagreements or concerns before the scheduled conference, the presiding officer may cancel the conference.

- e. All parties agree that they will provide copies of testimony (including schedules), exhibits, and pleadings to other counsel by electronic means and in electronic form essentially concurrently with the filing of such testimony, exhibits, or pleadings where the information is available in electronic format. Parties are not required to put information that does not exist in electronic format into electronic format for purposed of exchanging it.
- f. All fillings made through the Commission's Electronic Filing and Information System (EFIS) will be timely filed if filed before midnight on the date the filing is due.
- g. Documents filed in EFIS shall be considered properly served by serving the same on counsel of record for all other parties via e-mail essentially contemporaneously with the EFIS filing.
- h. Data requests and data request responses shall be served electronically with all counsel. Any party seeking a copy of the response to a data request issued by another party shall serve that request on the party to whom the original request was directed. If responses are voluminous or not available in electronic format, parties may note such as their response

and also note how the information requested will be made available to the requesting party.

- i. Until all direct testimony is filed on November 22, 2013, the response time for all data request shall be twenty (20) calendar days, with ten (10) calendar days to object or notify the requesting party that more than twenty (20) days will be necessary to provide the requested information.
- j. After direct testimony is filed on November 22, 2013, the response time for all data request shall be ten (10) calendar days, with five (5) calendar days to object or notify the requesting party that more than ten (10) days will be necessary to provide the requested information.
- k. Workpapers prepared in the course of developing a witness' direct or rebuttal testimony should be submitted to each party within two (2) business days following the filing of testimony. Workpapers prepared in the course of developing a witness' surrebuttal and true-up should be submitted to each party simultaneously with the filing of testimony, unless a party has indicated it does not want to receive some or all of the workpapers. Workpapers containing highly confidential or proprietary information should be appropriately marked. If there are no workpapers associated with a party's testimony, the party's attorney should so notify the other parties within the time period for providing workpapers.
- l. Where workpapers or data request responses include models or spreadsheets or similar information originally in a commonly available format where inputs or parameters may be changed to observe changes

in inputs, if available in the original format, the party providing the workpaper or response shall provide this type of information in that original format with formulas intact.

m. The parties hereby request that the Commission provide for expedited transcripts of the evidentiary hearing.

WHEREFORE, Lake Region, Public Counsel, and Staff submit this jointly proposed procedural schedule and list of agreements and request the Commission adopt the proposed procedural schedule, approve the agreements, and grant what further relief it deems just and appropriate.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed with first-class postage, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 27th day of August, 2013.

/s/ Amy E. Moore