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

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In the Matter of Lincoln County Sewer & Water, LLC for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Own, Operate, Maintain, Control and Manage Sewer Systems in Lincoln County, Missouri.

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## **APPLICATION**

COMES NOW Lincoln County Sewer & Water, LLC. (LCSW), pursuant to Sections

393.140, RSMo, 393.170, RSMo 2000, 4 CSR 240-2.060 and 4 CSR 240-3.305 (Sewer

Certificate), and, for its Application states as follows to the Missouri Public Service Commission

(Commission):

#### **BACKGROUND**

1. This Application is being filed by LCSW to obtain from the Commission a

certificate of convenience and necessity to own, operate, maintain, control and manage sewer systems in Lincoln County, Missouri.

2. LCSW is a Missouri limited liability company duly organized and existing under

the laws of the State of Missouri with its principal office and place of business located at 360 E. Cherry Street, Troy, Missouri 63379. Attached hereto as <u>Appendix 1</u> is a Certificate of Good Standing issued by the Missouri Secretary of State related to LCSW. LCSW has no pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involve customer service or rates having occurred within three years from the date of this Application. LCSW has no annual report or assessment fees which are currently overdue. LCSW has experience operating a wastewater facility.

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3. Communications respecting this Application should be addressed to the undersigned counsel and:

Mr. Dennis Kallash Lincoln County Sewer & Water, LLC 360 E. Cherry Street Troy, Missouri 63379 636-528-6180 (telephone)

#### **CERTIFICATE**

4. LCSW requests permission, approval and a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to own, operate, maintain, control and manage sewer systems for the public in areas located in Lincoln County, Missouri, as set forth on the maps attached to this Application as <u>Appendix 2</u>. Legal descriptions of the areas to be certificated are attached hereto as <u>Appendix</u>

<u>3</u>.

5. These areas generally encompass two existing developments (Rockport and Bennington) whose sewer systems are not currently regulated by the Commission. No other sewer service is currently available in these areas.

6. There are approximately 107 residential connections currently being served by these sewer systems. Attached hereto as <u>Appendix 4</u> is a list of ten residents or landowners from the areas for which a certificate is sought.

7. The subject sewer systems have already been constructed and are in operation. Plans associated with the construction of the system are not in a form conducive to filing in EFIS. The plans are available for viewing at the office of the undersigned counsel. There is no further construction planned at this time during the first three years of operation, other than that which may be addressed by the extension provisions of the resulting tariffs.

8. No financing is planned, other than that which is currently in place.

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9. Attached hereto as <u>Appendix 5</u> is a document containing proposed rates and an estimate of the number of customers, revenues and expenses. LCSW does not currently expect any substantial changes in these estimates during the next three (3) years of operation.

10. LCSW proposes to generally use the sample rules and regulations for sewer systems maintained by the Commission's Water and Sewer Department to govern its provision of sewer service to this area.

11. LCSW is not aware of any franchise (either city or county) that would be required in order for it to provide service in these areas. A permit for the operation of this facility has been issued by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR), a copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Appendix 6</u>. LCSW is not aware of any other governmental approval that it must obtain.

12. The areas LCSW proposes to certificate have a need for an operating sewer system and otherwise have no sewer service available. LCSW's experience in the operation of this sewer system gives it the ability to provide this service in an efficient manner. For these reasons, a grant of the application will further the public convenience and necessity.

**WHEREFORE**, LCSW requests the Commission grant it permission, approval and a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity authorizing it to own, operate, maintain, control and manage sewer systems for the public within the areas referred to above, and to issue such other orders as the Commission may deem appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been sent by electronic mail this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2011, to:

Rachel Lewis General Counsel's Office Missouri Public Service Commission Rachel.lewis@psc.mo.gov gencounsel@psc.mo.gov Christina Baker Office of the Public Counsel Office of the Public Counsel <u>opcservice@ded.mo.gov</u> christina.baker@ded.mo.gov

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#### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF MISSOURI ) ) ss COUNTY OF COLE )

I, Dennis Kallash, state that I am a Member of Lincoln County Sewer & Water, LLC (LCSW); that I have read the above and foregoing document; that the statements contained therein are true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge and belief; and, that I am authorized to make this statement on behalf of LCSW.

Dennis Callasi momser Subscribed and sworn to before me this  $\frac{l}{7}$ day of June, 2011. DEAN L. COOPER Notary Public - Notary Seal STATE OF MISSOURI Cole County Commission # 11433496 My Commission Expires: 3/26/2015 Notáry Public

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# **APPENDICES**

- Appendix 1 Certificate of Good Standing
- Appendix 2 Maps of Areas
- Appendix 3 Legal Descriptions
- Appendix 4 List of Ten Residents/Landowners
- Appendix 5 Rates and Estimated Number of Customers, Revenues and Expenses
- Appendix 6 DNR Permit

# [CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING – SEPARATELY FILED]



The following described real estate situated in Lincoln County, Missouri, to-wit:

A 54.049 ACRE TRACT OF LAND WITHIN PART OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 48 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> P.M. AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCING AT THE S.E. CORNER OF THE S.W. <sup>1</sup>⁄4 OF THE S.E. <sup>1</sup>⁄4 OF SECTION 13 THENCE N 00 DEG. 43'00" E 1714.92 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE N 89 DEG. 53'00" W 1267.48 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE S 00 DEG. 53'10" W 233.12 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE S 03 DEG. 39'09" E. 89.67 FT. TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE S 00 DEG. 53'10" W 430.39 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE N 87 DEG. 37'50" W 2597.90 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE N 01 DEG. 45'10" E 847.18 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE N 82 DEG. 54.23" E 1493.56 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE S 73 DEG. 03'35" E 482.39 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 513.36 FT. AN INCLUDE ANGLE OF 20 DEG. 51'02", AND A CHORD WHICH BEARS S 39 DEG. 34'35" E 185.79 FT., AN ARC DISTANCE OF 186.82 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE S 50 DEG. 00'06" E 585.60 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE ALONG A CURVE TO THE LEFT HAVING A RADIUS OF 608.69 FT., AN INCLUDE ANGLE OF 07 DEG. 41'03", AND A CHORD WHICH BEARS S 53 DEG. 50' 37" E 81.57 FT., AN ARC DISTANCE OF 81.63 FT. TO THE POINT OF THE BEGINNING. ALL AS SHOWN ON A PLAT BY FITCH AND ASSOC.

A 24.220 ACRE TRACT OF LAND WITHIN PART OF SECTION 13 AND PART OF SECTION 24 TOWNSHIP 48 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> P.M. AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE S.W. CORNER OF SECTION 13 THENCE N 01 DEG. 45'10" E 910.00 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE S 87 DEG. 37'50" E 474.00 FT. TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE TRACT HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE S 87 DEG. 37'50" E 873.54 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE S 06 DEG. 22'56" W 1117.88 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE N 87 DEG. 24'42" W 1021.40 FT. TO A POINT; THENCE N 13 DEG. 52'10" E 1134.00 FT. TO THE POINT OF THE BEGINNING ALL AS SHOWN ON A PLAT BY FITCH AND ASSOC.

52.64 acres, being part of the West Half of Section 13, Township 48 North, Range 1 West, of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M. and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at an old stone, the West Quarter Corner of Section 13, Township 48 North, Range 21' E., 810.30 feet to an iron rod at the South right of way State Highway "U"; thence with the South right of way Highway "U" S., 87 degrees 15' E. 1623.15 feet to an iron rod. Thence S. 14 deg. 30' W. 559.33 feet to an iron rod; thence S. 78 deg. 31.27' E. 275.00 feet to a point at the West right of way of Highway "U"; thence S. 24 deg. 21.89' W. 798.99 feet to a corner post; thence Line; thence with the Section Line, N. 2 deg. 21' E. 742.32 feet to the place of beginning containing in the aggregate 52.64 acres, more or less, and being a part of the West Half of Section 31, T. 48 N. R. 1 W., of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M.

A TRACT OF LAND BEING PART OF THE WEST HALF OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 48 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT AN IRON ROD AT THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STATE HIGHWAY "U", SAID IRON ROD BEING NORTH 1 DEGREE 05' EAST, 626.7 FEET AND SOUTH 87 DEGREES 15' EAST 1623.15 FEET FROM THE WEST QUARTER CORNER OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 48 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE 5<sup>TH</sup> P.M., THENCE WITH THE RIGHT-OF-WAY, SOUTH 87 DEGREES 10'EAST, 269.95 FEET TO AN IRON ROD; THENCE SOUTH 36 DEGREES 01' EAST 76.5 FEET TO AN IRON ROD; THENCE SOUTH 19 DEGREES 53' WEST, 248.95 FEET TO AN IRON ROD; THENCE NORTH 78 DEGREES 14' WEST, 300.20 FET TO AN IRON ROD; THENCE NORTH 14 DEGREES 30' EAST, 256.6 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING IN THE AGGREGATE 1.987 ACRE, MORE OR LESS.

Bennington Subdivision – as recorded at Lincoln County Recorder of Deeds' Plat Book 13, page 31.

Bennington Plat 2 Subdivision - as recorded at Lincoln County Recorder of Deeds' Plat Book 13, page 195.

List of Ten Owners/Residents Within Area to Certificated:

Nathan and Robin Daniels 283 Bennington Drive Troy, MO 63379

Adam Twellman 116 Bennington Court Troy, MO 63379

Jesse Green 261 Bennington Drive Troy, MO 63379

Richard and Vanda Lamar 240 Bennington Drive Troy, MO 63379

Jack and Brenda Gillespie 248 Bennington Drive Troy, MO 63379

Larry and Mary Goetz 269 Bennington Drive Troy, MO 63379

Phil and Stacie Young 232 Bennington Drive Troy, MO 63379

Jim and Mary Blosson 272 Bennington Drive Troy, MO 63379

Tim McElroy 333 Rockport Drive Troy, MO 63379

Debra Wiler 60 Citori Court Troy, MO 63379

### **Rates**

The following monthly sewer service charge will be in effect for Customers of LCSW:

Flat Rate - \$50 per customer/per month<sup>1</sup>

This rate does not include any municipal, state or federal taxes computed on either billing or consumption bases. Any such taxes applicable shall be added as separate items in rendering each bill.

The following additional schedule of service charges and fees will also apply:

Late Payment Fee – 5% of bill

Returned Check Fee - \$20.00

Transfer Fee - \$25.00 for change of customer accounts at same service location when no physical disconnection occurs

Disconnection Fee -- \$40.00

Reconnection Fee After Physical Disconnection during normal business hours -- \$40.00

Reconnection Fee After Physical Disconnection for times other than normal business hours -- \$80.00

### **Estimated Number of Customers** = 107

**Expenses** - It is suspected that the expenses and required return on rate base for this operation will be generally equal to the revenues derived from the proposed rates. However, it is Applicant's understanding that the Commission Staff will perform an independent analysis of the appropriate rate for this Company. Applicant reserves the right to take a different position based upon its review of that Staff analysis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> It is anticipated that during the course of this case, LCSW will install water meters. If this project is completed, LCSW would propose to utilize a customer charge combined with a volumetric rate, rather than a flat rate.

[DNR PERMIT(S) – SEPARATELY FILED]