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RE: Case No. SR-2000-556

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of the **MOTION TO CANCEL REMAINDER OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE AND RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE REVISED TARIFF SHEETS.**

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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of Osage Water Company's)
Request for a Rate Increase for Sewer)
Service Pursuant to the Public Service)
Commission's Small Company Rate)
Increase Procedure)

Case No. SR-2000-556

**MOTION TO CANCEL REMAINDER OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
AND RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE REVISED TARIFF SHEETS**

COME NOW, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel), and Osage Water Company (Company), and respectfully state the following to the Missouri Public Service Commission (the Commission):

1. On October 19, 1999, the Company submitted a request for a rate increase pursuant to the Commission's Small Company Rate Increase Procedure, which is found at 4 CSR 240-2.200. On November 14, 2000, the Company filed an agreement that it had reached with the Staff regarding a rate increase, together with revised tariff sheets designed to implement that increase. On November 30, 2000, Public Counsel filed a request for a local public hearing, which was held in Osage Beach, Missouri, on January 9, 2001.

2. On January 16, 2001, Public Counsel filed a motion objecting to the tariff sheets, and moved the Commission to suspend the subject revised tariff sheets and conduct an evidentiary hearing in this case. On January 31, 2001, the Commission granted Public Counsel's request for an evidentiary hearing and issued its Order Establishing Procedural Schedule wherein, among other things, it set filing dates for the filing of prepared direct and rebuttal testimony by the parties.

3. Pursuant to the ordered procedural schedule, the Staff and Public Counsel filed direct testimony on February 14, 2001. None of the parties filed rebuttal testimony.

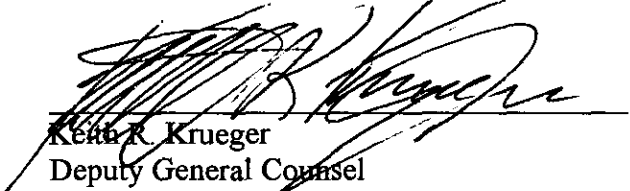
4. Based upon the Company/Staff agreement filed in this case on November 14, 2000, and the direct testimony filed by Public Counsel on February 14, 2001, the parties agree that there are no contested issues remaining for Commission decision in this case. As a result, the parties also agree that there is no need for the remaining portions of the procedural schedule.

WHEREFORE, the Staff, Public Counsel and the Company, being all of the parties to this case, move the Commission to cancel the remaining portions of the procedural schedule in this case. The Staff and the Company recommend that the Commission approve the Company's pending revised tariff sheets to be effective as soon as reasonably possible.⁽¹⁾

⁽¹⁾ The parties would note that a hearing is scheduled before the Commission on March 5, 2001 in the Company's companion water rate increase case, Case No. WR-2000-557, and that the parties' witnesses and counsel in that case are the same as the witnesses and counsel in the instant case. As a result, the Commission will have the opportunity to question the parties' witnesses and/or counsel for this case, if it so desires, at the time of the hearing in the companion case, and the parties certainly do not object to the Commission doing so.

Respectfully submitted,


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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 February 2001.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory D. Williams", is written over a horizontal line.

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