# <u>TARIFF FILING TRANSMITTAL LETTER – COMPANY/STAFF AGREEMENT</u>

August 22, 2012

Secretary of the Commission
Missouri Public Service Commission
Attn: Data Center
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

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Missouri Public Service Commission

RE.

Sewer Utility Small Company Rate Increase Request

MO Case. No SR-2012-0309

### Dear Secretary:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission are an original and three copies of revised tariff sheets that include rate and language changes reflected in an <u>Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Company Rate Increase Request</u> (Disposition Agreement) between Meramec Sewer Company, Inc. (Company) and the Commission Staff (Staff) regarding the above-referenced small company rate increase request. The Company submitted the referenced rate increase request on March 20, 2012 under the provisions of the Commission's small company rate increase procedure.

Since the above-referenced Disposition Agreement is between the Company and the Staff, the enclosed tariff sheets bear an effective date that is at least 45 days from the issue date, as is provided for by the small company rate increase procedure.

Consistent with the above-referenced Disposition Agreement, the enclosed revised tariff sheets contain customer rates that are intended to produce an increase of \$103,466 in the Company's annual sewer system operating revenues, and also contain all other provisions necessary to implement the terms of the Disposition Agreement.

Please contact me at your convenience if you need anything further regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Fred Reinhold , one

President

Meramec Sewer Company, Inc.

**Enclosures** 

Copies (w/enclosures):

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2nd Revised Canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. 5 Sheet No. 5

Name of Utility: Meramec Sewer Company

Service Area: Fenton, Missouri

Rules Governing Rendering of Sewer Service			
Schedul	e of Rates		
Availability			
Available to any sewer Customer located on Compservice requested.	pany's collecting mains suitable for supplying the		
Monthly Rates and Charges			
Single Family Residential Service (per unit)	\$26.33 per month	+	
Mobile Home Service (per unit)	\$23.70 per month	+	
Multi-Family Residential Service (per single family dwelling unit)	\$21.07 per month	+	
Commercial Establishments	\$52.67 per month	•	
These rates do not include any Municipal, County taxes shall be added as separate items in rendering		+	
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Name of Utility: Meramec Sewer Company

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# Rules Governing Rendering of Sewer Service

#### Schedule of Service Charges

#### Late Charges

A charge of five dollars (\$5.00) or three percent (3%) per month times the unpaid balance, whichever is greater, will be added to delinquent accounts.

### Returned Check Charge

A returned check charge of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per check will be due on all checks returned from the bank for insufficient funds.

#### Disconnection/Reconnection

If sewer Discontinuance of Service is made in accordance with Rule 4 and is accomplished by physical disconnection, then the charge for reconnection after such disconnection by the Company shall be the total actual cost of disconnection and reconnection.

#### Disconnection/Reconnection by Public Water District

The following provisions are set out in a contract between the Company and Missouri American Water Company, approved by the Missouri Public Service Commission in Case Number WO-95-339.

A fee of thirty-eight dollars (\$38.00) will be charged for standard discontinuance of service or reconnection per metered connection, including unsuccessful attempts.

A fee of seventeen dollars (\$17.00) will be charged for each subsequent attempt at standard disconnections or reconnections per metered connection at the same address at the same time, including unsuccessful attempts.

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### Rules Governing Rendering of Sewer Service

#### Schedule of Service Charges (Continued)

A fee of sixty-seven dollars (\$67.00) will be charged for special disconnection or reconnection per metered connection, including unsuccessful attempts.

A fee of forty-one dollars (\$41.00) will be charged for subsequent special disconnection or reconnection per metered connection at same address at same time, including unsuccessful attempts.

Because large connections can often require more than one employee or other unusual efforts, disconnections or reconnections of metered connections in excess of one and a half inch (1 ½") in diameter shall be at the Company's actual cost.

### Inspection Fee

A fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) will be charged for inspection of a new service sewer and connection to the collecting sewer.

#### Service Calls

Service calls at any time other than during normal business hours for any reason except disconnection for a broken Customer's service shall require a service charge of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).

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### Rules Governing Rendering of Sewer Service

### Rule 2 Applications For Sewer Service

- (A) Every Customer upon signing an application for service or accepting service rendered by the Company, shall be considered to have expressed consent to be bound to the Company's Rates, Rules and Regulations. Said application must state the name of the owner and said premises and, in the case of a commercial Customer, must also state the quantity and strength of effluent to be discharged from said premises into Company's sewer system. The Company shall have the right to refuse service for failure to comply with the rules herein, or if the Customer owes a past due bill not in dispute for sewer service at any location within the Company's service area. In any case where unusual construction or equipment expense is necessary to furnish the service, the Company may require a contract for such reasonable period of time as is specified by the Company at the time of making such contract. A fee will be charged for inspection of a new service sewer and connection to the collecting sewer. The inspection fee is located in the Schedule of Service Charges on Sheet 5b.
- (B) The Customer shall, upon request of the Company, present in writing to the Company a list of devices which are to be attached to the Company's lines, giving the location of any buildings. The Company will then advise the form and the character of the waste collection facilities available.
- (C) When water usage determines the sewer charge, the Company reserves the right to refuse sewer service to any applicant unless said applicant agrees to install a water meter accessible to the Company, in order for there to be a basis for sewer charges.
- (D) No substantial addition to the water using equipment or appliances connected to the sewer system of the Company shall be made except upon written notice to and with the written consent of the Company.
- (E) Any changes in the location of an existing service connection requested by the Customer shall be made at his expense.
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Sheet No. 13 Sheet No. 13

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### Rules Governing Rendering of Sewer Service

#### Rule 4 Discontinuance of Service

- (A) The Company reserves the right upon the giving of thirty (30) days written notice to the Customer by certified mail, return receipt requested, and a copy to the Missouri Public Service Commission to discontinue service for nonpayment of sewer bills or for violation of or refusal to comply with these Rules and Regulations.
- (B) In case of violation by the Customer of any of the provisions of these Rules and Regulations or if a condition shall exist which, in the opinion of the Company, renders further service to the Customer dangerous to his health and safety or to the health and safety of other parties, or for any lawful reason, the Company may discontinue service immediately upon the giving of verbal or written notice to the Customer and to the Commission.
- (C) In all cases of discontinuance of sewer service for nonpayment of a bill, sewer service may be discontinued at the option of the Company and will not be resumed again, except upon payment by the Customer of the actual cost to reconnect service either by himself or by a contractor of Customer's choosing, provided the Company is permitted to supervise and inspect the actual reconnection.
- (D) Discontinuance of sewage service to a premise for any reason shall not prevent the Company from pursuing any lawful remedy by action at law or otherwise for the collection for monies due from the Customer.
- (E) The Company may request Missouri American Water Company to disconnect water service in lieu of the sewer being discontinued for nonpayment of a sewer bill. The notice will be as described above and the Customer will be responsible for all water disconnection and reconnection fees that are charged to the Company by Missouri American Water Company. The fees are listed in the Schedule of Service Charges on Sheets 5a and 5b:
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Sheet No. 16 Sheet No. 16

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### Rules Governing Rendering of Sewer Service

### Rule 7. Service Sewer Connection and Taps

- The Company will locate the point to which service sewer connection will be (A) made and the Customer will furnish a "Y" branch, when a "Y" has not previously been installed, or other outlet at the collecting sewer which shall be located in the public right-ofway or Company easement. All taps are to be made by licensed plumbers, subject to inspection and approval by the Company. The application and the amount of the inspection fee must be filed in writing forty-eight (48) hours in advance stating the date, the house number, and time at which tap is to be made. The Company will not be required to supply sewer service until each such tap has been inspected and approved by the Company. The Customer will be liable for any damages to the Company's collection sewers resulting from such work.
- The Customer's service sewer connection from the collecting sewers to the Customer's building shall be installed by and maintained at the expense of the Customer. A service sewer connection shall not be used to supply more than a single property without the written consent of the Company.

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