

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

**In the Matter of the Tariff Filing of Aqua)
Missouri, Inc. to Implement a Rate)
Increase for Water Service Provided to)
Customers in its Missouri Service Areas.)**

Case No. WR-2007-0020
Tariff No. JW-2007-0014

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its Motion for Extension of Time to File Staff Recommendation states the following to the Missouri Public Service Commission.

1. On September 8, 2006, the Commission issued its **Order Setting Hearing, Directing Filing, and Directing Witness to Appear** in the instant case, wherein it ordered the Staff to file its recommendation regarding Aqua Missouri's pending tariff by no later than September 13, and ordered that any responses to the Staff's recommendation shall be filed no later than September 20. The Commission also ordered the Staff to file a status report regarding its follow-up with members of the public who offered comments at the local public hearings in this case by no later than September 19, 2006.

2. The Staff's recommendation in this case will depend, to some extent, upon the results of its investigation regarding the comments that were presented at the local public hearings, and upon the contents of the status report that the Staff files in response to those comments.

3. Due to the press of other business and the amount of time that is required to thoroughly investigate the comments that were presented at the local public hearings, the Staff has not been able to complete its investigation or to submit its status report regarding the public comments. The Staff will therefore not be able to submit its recommendation in this case by

September 13, as ordered by the Commission. Furthermore, Staff counsel will be out of the office, attending a deposition on September 15, and will not be able to file the recommendation that day.

4. The Staff will, however, be able to complete its status report regarding the public comments by 12:00 noon, September 18. Accordingly, the Staff requests that the deadline for submitting its Staff recommendation be extended to noon, September 18, 2006. If the Staff files its recommendation by noon on September 18, other parties will have two-and-one-half days available in which to prepare and file responses before the September 20 deadline for doing so as ordered by the Commission, and the Staff submits this will be sufficient.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully requests that the date for filing its recommendation in this case be extended to 12:00 noon, on September 18, 2006.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of this Motion have been mailed with first class postage, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or transmitted via e-mail to all counsel and/or parties of record this 13th day of September 2006.

/s/ Keith R. Krueger