

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
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CASE NO: WA-2002-65

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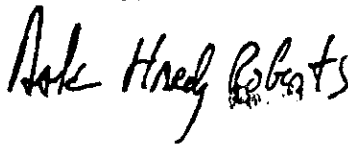
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Enclosed find certified copy of an NOTICE in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



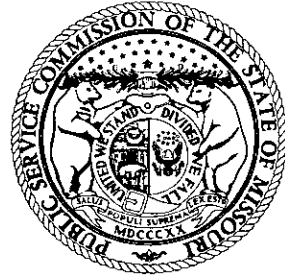
Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Notice of *Ex Parte* Contact

TO: All Commissioners
All Parties in Case No. WA-2002-65

FROM: Connie Murray *cm*

DATE: April 16, 2002



On April 16, 2002, I received a telephone call from Representative Blaine Luetkemeyer, District 115, concerning lack of service by Osage Water Company in areas where it is certificated to provide water and/or sewer service, including the Eagle Woods subdivision. The Commission is currently considering the issue of the qualification of the principals of Osage Water Company to provide service in an additional service area under the name of Environmental Utilities, LLC, and to provide wholesale service to Osage Water Company in the Eagle Woods subdivision. Case No. WA-2002-65 is a contested case. The Commission is bound by the same *ex parte* rule as a court of law.

I explained to the Representative that I could not discuss these issues because of the pending case, and referred him to our consumer services division for assistance.

Although communications from members of the general assembly or the public are always welcome, those communications must be made known to all parties to a contested case so that those parties have the opportunity to respond. According to the Commission's rules (4 CSR 240-4), when a communication (either oral or written) occurs outside the hearing process, any member of the Commission or Regulatory Law Judge who received the communication shall prepare a written report concerning the communication and submit it to each member of the Commission and the parties to the case. The report shall identify the person(s) who participated in the *ex parte* communication, the circumstances which resulted in the communication, the substance of the communication, and the relationship of the communication to a particular matter at issue before the Commission.

Therefore, I submit this report pursuant to the rules cited above

cc: Executive Director
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
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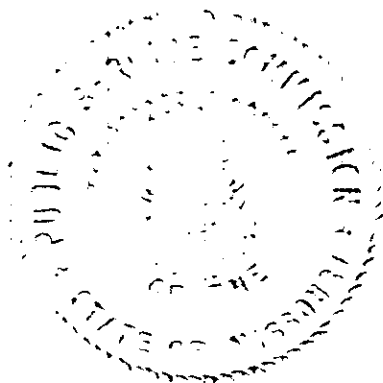
OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and

I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,

Missouri, this 17th day of April 2002 .



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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge