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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Ozark Shores Water Company,)
Inc.'s Petition for Extension of Time to) Case No. WO-2000-587
File Sewer and Water Company Annual Report.)

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME
TO FILE ANNUAL REPORT

On March 22, 2000, Ozark Shores Water Company, Inc. (Ozark Shores), filed its Petition to Extend Time for Filing of Sewer and Water Company Annual Report. In support of its petition, Ozark Shores alleges that a necessary audit of its December 31, 1999, financial statements is underway, but not yet completed. Ozark Shores states that the audit will be completed and the report drafted and ready for filing by July 15, 2000. Ozark Shores seeks an extension until that date.

On April 13, 2000, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed its Recommendation and Memorandum. Staff states that it does not oppose the extension request and recommends that it be granted. Staff believes that the explanation offered by Ozark Shores constitutes good cause. Staff notes that this company has sought such extensions before and that it should be urged to meet known deadlines in the future.

Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-10.080(1) requires that "[a]ll public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file an annual report with the commission on or before

April 15 of each year." Water and sewer utilities are required to file their annual reports on a form provided by the Commission, or on an acceptable computer-generated replica thereof, and to provide all requested information. 4 CSR 240-10.080, (5) and (6). A utility that is unable to comply by April 15 may present a written request for an extension. 4 CSR 240-10.080(8).

Having considered all of the foregoing, the Commission will grant the requested extension. The Commission stresses that Ozark Shores should strive in the future to meet known and required filing deadlines.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That Ozark Shores Water Company, Inc., is granted an extension of the annual report filing requirement contained in Rule 4 CSR 240-10.080(1), up to and including July 15, 2000, by which time it shall file its 1999 annual report with the Commission.
2. That this order shall become effective on May 9, 2000.
3. That this case may be closed on May 10, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



(S E A L)

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief
Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation
of authority pursuant to 4 CSR
240-2.120(1) (November 30, 1995)
and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 27th day of April, 2000.