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STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office  
in Jefferson City on the 9th  
day of December, 1999.

In the Matter of the Application of Central       )  
Rivers Wastewater Utility, Inc. for a Certifi-    )  
cate of Convenience and Necessity Authorizing    )  
It to Construct, Install, Own, Operate,         ) Case No. SA-2000-105  
Control, Manage and Maintain a Sewer System     )  
for the Public Located on an Unincorporated     )  
Area in Clay County, Missouri.                   )

**ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF**  
**PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY**

On August 10, 1999, Central Rivers Wastewater Utility, Inc.  
(Applicant), filed an application with the Commission requesting  
permission, approval and a certificate of public convenience and necessity  
to construct, install, own, operate, control, manage and maintain a sewer  
system for the public in an unincorporated area (Fox Run Subdivision) of  
Clay County, Missouri. In addition to a map and metes and bounds  
description of the proposed area, Applicant filed a feasibility study and  
stated in its application that no other utility, regulated or unregulated,  
currently operates a sewer system in the proposed area.

On August 23, 1999, the Commission issued an order and notice and  
directed interested parties to file an application to intervene no later  
than September 22, 1999. No applications to intervene were filed. Since  
no proper party filed an application to intervene and there are no  
outstanding requests for hearing, the Commission determines that an oral

hearing is not necessary and the Applicant may submit evidence in support of its application by verified statement. State ex rel. Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. v. Public Service Commission, 776 S.W.2d 494, 496 (Mo. App. 1989).

On November 24, 1999, Staff filed a Recommendation and a Memorandum stating that Staff recommends that the Commission grant Applicant a certificate of convenience and necessity, with the certificate to be effective on the same date the Applicant's tariff sheets become effective. Staff noted that Applicant was incorporated in December 1997 and was granted a certificate to provide sewer service in its first service area, known as Countryside Meadows, in Case No. SA-98-530 on May 25, 1999. Staff recommends that the Commission order the Applicant to file tariff sheets in conformance with Staff's Recommendation and that the tariff sheets be required to bear an effective date of at least 30 days after the date of filing. Staff suggests that the Commission approve the Applicant's existing depreciation rates, connection charge, and the customer rate of \$32 per month.

The Commission finds it is in the public interest for Applicant to construct, install, own, operate, control, manage and maintain a sewer system for the public in an unincorporated area of Clay County, Missouri, as described by the map and metes and bounds description attached to the application filed by the Applicant on August 10, 1999. The Commission also finds that the proposed depreciation rates, connection charge and customer rate are just and reasonable.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That Central Rivers Wastewater Utility, Inc., is granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to construct, install, own, operate, control, manage and maintain a sewer system for the public in an unincorporated area of Clay County, Missouri, as described by the map and metes and bounds description attached to its application filed on August 10, 1999.

2. That the certificate of convenience and necessity referenced in ordered paragraph 1 shall become effective on the effective date of this order; however, Central Rivers Wastewater Utility, Inc., shall not provide service to customers until the tariffs referenced in ordered paragraph 3 herein are approved.

3. That within thirty days of the effective date of this order, Central Rivers Wastewater Utility, Inc., shall file with the Commission tariff sheets consistent with this order describing the terms and conditions under which it will provide sewer service. The tariff sheets shall bear an effective date that is at least thirty days after the date the tariff sheets are filed with the Commission.

4. That nothing in this order shall be considered a finding by the Commission of the reasonableness of the expenditures herein involved, nor of the value for ratemaking purposes of the properties herein involved, nor as an acquiescence in the value placed on the property.

5. That the Commission reserves the right to consider the ratemaking treatment to be afforded the expenditures and properties herein involved, and the resulting cost of capital, in any later proceeding.

6. That Central Rivers Wastewater Utility, Inc.'s existing depreciation rates, connection charge, and the customer rate of \$32.00 per month for application to the Fox Run development are approved.

8. That this order shall become effective on December 21, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts  
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

( S E A L )

Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Drainer,  
and Schemenauer, CC., concur.  
Murray, C., absent.

Ruth, Regulatory Law Judge

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