STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION JEFFERSON CITY March 16, 2000

CASE NO: MX-2000-439

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

Sincerely,

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 16th day of March, 2000.

In the Matter of a Proposed New Rule 4 CSR) Case No. MX-2000-439 240-123.075 - Inspection Fee.

ORDER FINDING NECESSITY FOR RULEMAKING

On January 18, 2000, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed a motion opening a case to consider the necessity and adoption of a rule to implement an inspection fee in accordance with Section 700.040, RSMo Supp. 1999. On February 14, 2000, the Staff filed its Motion for Finding of Necessity for Rulemaking with a memorandum attached in support of its motion.

Staff proposes a new rule, 4 CSR 240-123.075, to be adopted pursuant to Section 700.040, RSMo Supp. 1999, that will set inspection fees to be paid to the Manufactured Housing Fund. This fund is established by statute to the fund the costs to the Commission of administering the Commission's duties under Chapter 700 of the Revised Statues.

The Staff memorandum demonstrates that the proposed rule is necessary to carry out the purpose of Section 700.040, RSMo Supp. 1999, and is based upon reasonably available empirical data. The Staff demonstrates the effectiveness and cost of the proposed rule to the state and to private or public persons or entities that will be affected by the rule. Specifically, the Staff demonstrates that the fee will generate revenues

required to fund appropriation requirements and presents the anticipated fees and costs per manufactured home sold under two possible scenarios anticipated by Staff.

Pursuant to Section 536.016, RSMo Supp. 1999, a state agency is required to find, based upon substantial evidence on the record, that a proposed rule is necessary to carry out the purposes of the statute that granted the rulemaking authority. Based on the record, the Commission finds that the proposed new rule 4 CSR 240-123.075 - Inspection Fee, is necessary to carry out the purposes of Section 700.040, RSMo Supp. 1999.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission is directed to proceed with the necessary procedures of the Commission and applicable procedures of administrative rulemaking and may file a proposed rule in this case for the Commission's consideration.
 - 2. That this order shall become effective on March 28, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(SEAL)

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

Thornburg, Regulatory Law Judge

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Commissioner

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STATE OF MISSOURI 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 16^{th} day of March 2000.

Dale Hardy Roberts

Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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