

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,



Dale Hardy/Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of the City of Hannibal,)
Missouri, and Public Water Supply District No. 1 of)
Ralls County, Missouri, for Approval of a Territorial)
Agreement Concerning Territory Encompassing Part)
of Ralls County, Missouri.)

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ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE
AND REQUIRING FILING OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On July 9, 2001, the City of Hannibal, Missouri, and Public Water Supply District No. 1 of Ralls County, Missouri, filed their joint application for approval by the Missouri Public Service Commission under Section 247.172, RSMo 2000, of a territorial agreement setting out the boundaries of their respective water service areas. The City is located in Ralls and Marion Counties, Missouri, and provides water service to its residents. The District is located in Ralls County, Missouri, and provides water service to persons residing in both Ralls and Marion Counties, Missouri. The Commission issued its Order Directing Notice on July 16, setting a deadline of August 6 for applications to intervene. The Commission received no such applications.

This matter is now at issue and a prehearing conference and procedural schedule are appropriate to ensure its prompt resolution. At the prehearing conference, the parties or their representatives should be prepared to discuss the nature of any discovery each will conduct and the interval necessary for its completion; the number of witnesses each expects to call at hearing; the number and nature of any exhibits each expects to offer at hearing; and the anticipated length of the hearing. The parties or

their representatives should also be prepared to discuss the current status of settlement negotiations. It is expected that the prehearing conference will provide an opportunity for the parties to further pursue settlement discussions.

The parties shall jointly file a proposed procedural schedule. The proposed procedural schedule shall establish dates for the filing of a list of the issues to be determined by the Commission and statements by the parties of their position on each such issue. The proposed procedural schedule shall also include a date for the filing of a list of the witnesses to be called on each day of hearing, the order in which they shall appear and the order of cross-examination agreed upon by the parties. The proposed procedural schedule shall also establish dates for the hearing of this matter.

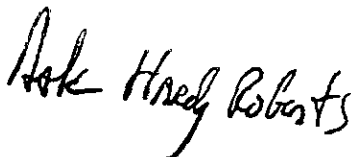
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That a prehearing conference shall be held on August 22, 2001, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The prehearing conference shall be held at the Commission's offices at the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, Room 305. The Governor Office Building is a facility that meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs additional accommodations to participate in the prehearing conference should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or 1-800-829-7541 (TDD) prior to the prehearing conference.

2. That the parties shall jointly prepare and file a proposed procedural schedule no later than August 29, 2001.

3. That this order shall become effective on August 18, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts".

**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

(S E A L)

Kevin A. Thompson, Deputy Chief
Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation
of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.


Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 8th of August, 2001.

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 8th day of August 2001.



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

