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RE: Application of Ozark Water and Wastewater Management Co. - Case No. SM-2000--

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Dear Mr. Hardy:

Enclosed herein please find an original plus eight copies of a Report on the Status of the Pending Application for filing with your office regarding the above referenced case. Please file accordingly and return one copy file-stamped to the attention of the undersigned in the self-addressed stamped envelope enclosed herein.

Please do not hesitate to call should you have any questions. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Don G. Busch

Yours truly,

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Enclosures

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of Ozark Water and)	Service Commission	
Wastewater Management Co., Inc. to Sell and)		
Transfer its Franchise, Treatment Plant and)		
Substantially All its Assets to Northern Christian		Case No. SM-2000-608	
County Regional Wastewater Facility, Inc.)		
(a Non-Profit Sewer Corporation under)		
393.825 RSMo.))		

REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE PENDING APPLICATION

The Commission has ordered Ozark Water and Wastewater Management Co., Inc. to file a report advising the status of the above Application for authority to sell its franchise treatment plant and substantially all of its assets to Northern Christian County Regional Wastewater Facility, Inc.

It has been determined in the interim since the filing of the Application that Northern Christian County Regional Wastewater Facility, Inc. was created with certain infirmities making it inadvisable to proceed with an application to transfer Ozark Water and Wastewater Management Co., Inc. franchise treatment plant and substantially all of its assets to Northern Christian County Regional Wastewater Facility, Inc.

Further, it has been determined that it will be more in the interest of the customers of Ozark Water and Wastewater Management Co., Inc. if the existing treatment plant be abandoned and the collection system of Ozark Water and Wastewater Management Co., Inc. be sold and transferred to a new non-profit sewer corporation formed under Section 393.825 RSMo. known as the English Village Not-for-Profit Sewer Corporation for which a Certificate of Incorporation was issued by the State of Missouri on the 25th of March, 2002. The non-profit would contract with the City of Springfield, Missouri for sewage treatment.



The English Village Not-for-Profit Sewer Corporation is in the process of adopting its By-Laws and negotiating its contract of sale of the collection system of Ozark Water and Wastewater Management Co., Inc. to the non-profit, the essential terms of which are known to both parties. The non-profit corporation is also in the process of submitting an application for a loan to the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Section. This loan will be used for acquiring the collection system of Ozark Water and Wastewater Management Co., Inc. and for obligations which the non-profit contemplates it will incur by entering into a contract with the City of Springfield, Missouri for the treatment of the sewage generated within the boundaries of the service area which the non-profit will acquire from Ozark Water and Wastewater Management Co., Inc.

Ozark Water and Wastewater Management Co., Inc. contemplates that, as soon as the non-profit and Ozark Water and Wastewater Management Co., Inc. have been able to complete their contractual terms which should be within the next several weeks, it will file its amended application in the proceeding, a draft of which has already been prepared in anticipation of that event.

WHEREFORE, Applicant asks the Commission to retain this proceeding before the Commission in order that Ozark Water and Wastewater Management Co., Inc. may file its amended application within the near future. Ozark Water and Wastewater Management Co., Inc. states that the basic process which has been outlined above is known to the Commission's staff, to the office of public counsel and to the Department of Natural Resources of the State of Missouri and to the Invervenor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a complete copy of the foregoing document was served upon the following parties:

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()A. by enclosing same in envelopes addressed to said attorneys at their business addresses as disclosed in the pleadings of record herein, with first class postage fully prepaid, and by depositing said envelopes in a U.S. Post Office mailbox in Springfield, Missouri;

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()B. by leaving same in the business office of said attorneys with a secretary or receptionist thereof;

()C. by handing same to said attorneys;

()D. by sending via facsimile transmission to said attorneys to their facsimile number;

on the <u>4</u> day of April, 2002, by the method checked above.

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