STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

a session of the Public Service

	Jefferson City on the 23 rd day of March, 2016.
Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission,))
Complainant,)
/ .)) <u>File No. SC-2016-0135</u>
Taney County Utilities Corporation)
Respondent)

ORDER AUTHORIZING GENERAL COUNSEL TO SEEK PENALTIES

Issue Date: March 23, 2016 Effective Date: April 22, 2016

On December 3, 2015, the Staff of the Commission filed a complaint against Taney County Utilities Corporation alleging that the company has failed to submit its 2013 annual report and has failed to pay its fiscal year 2014 assessment to the Commission. Taney County Utilities did not file an answer to that complaint, and on March 9, 2016, the Commission entered an order granting Staff's motion for a default determination against the Respondent. By rule, ¹ Taney County Utilities had seven days to file a motion to set aside that finding of default. It has not done so.

Having found the Respondent to be in default, the Commission will now authorize its General Counsel to file an action in Circuit Court to seek penalties against the Respondent.

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¹ Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.070(10).

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Commission's General Counsel is authorized to file an action in the circuit court of its choosing to collect penalties against Taney County Utilities Corporation, as allowed by Sections 386.570 and 386.600, RSMo 2000.
 - 2. This order shall be effective on April 22, 2016.



BY THE COMMISSION

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Hall, Chm., Stoll, Kenney, Rupp, and Coleman, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge