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## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of	)	
George Hoesch for a Certificate of	)	
Convenience and Necessity Authorizing	)	
Him to Construct, Install, Own,	)	
Operate and Maintain a Sewer System	)	
for the Public, Located in an	)	
Unincorporated Area of the County of	)	
Gasconade. Missouri.	Ś	

CASE NO. SA-97-357

## ORDER SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

On August 12, 1997, George Hoesch (Applicant) filed a Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule. Applicant stated that since filing his original Application and feasibility study, it has become apparent that the sewer system originally proposed is not economically feasible and would result in sewer rates for customers in excess of \$300 per month. Applicant therefore intends to provide a less expensive pressure sewer system, and Applicant states he will have plans available in several weeks. Applicant requests suspension of the procedural schedule, including the discovery process, until a second feasibility study can be filed.

On August 14 the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed a Response to Applicant's Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule. Staff states it agrees that the procedural schedule in this case should be suspended pending the filing of a feasibility study on the newly proposed pressure sewer system. Nevertheless, Staff requests the Commission order Applicant to file his feasibility study on or before September 15, and Staff proposes a revised procedural schedule with an evidentiary hearing set for December 29-31, 1997.

The Commission has reviewed Applicant's Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule along with Staff's response. The Commission finds that the Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule is reasonable and should be granted. Nevertheless, the Commission finds that it is premature to establish a revised procedural schedule or to order a deadline for the feasibility study. Therefore, the Commission will order the parties to file a recommended procedural schedule no later than 15 days after the feasibility study is filed.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the Motion to Suspend Procedural Schedule filed by Applicant George Hoesch on August 12, 1997, is granted.
- 2. That the procedural schedule established for this case is suspended, and the hearing set for October 20-22, 1997, is canceled.
- 3. That the request of the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed on August 14, 1997, to set a deadline for the filing of a new feasibility study is denied.
- 4. That the request of the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed on August 14, 1997, to establish a procedural schedule is denied.
- 5. That the parties shall file a recommended procedural schedule no later that fifteen (15) days after Applicant George Hoesch files a new feasibility study.

6. That this order shall become effective on August 26, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION
Beil July 10

Cecil I. Wright
Executive Secretary

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Gregory T. George, Administrative Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1), (November 30, 1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 26th day of August, 1997.