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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

| In the Matter of the Application of TBJ |) | |
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| Sewer System Inc., for Permission, Approval, |) | |
| and a Certificate of Convenience and |) | |
| Necessity Authorizing it to Construct, |) | Case No. SA-97-441 |
| Install, Own, Operate, Control, Manage, and |) | |
| Maintain a Sewer System for the Public |) | |
| Located in an Unincorporated Area in |) | |
| Franklin County, Missouri |) | |

ORDER DIRECTING SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT AND CLOSING CASE

On October 29, 1997, the Commission issued an order granting a certificate of convenience and necessity to TBJ Sewer System, Inc. (TBJ). In addition, the Commission approved rates as described in the application for certificate of convenience and necessity with the condition that those rates be reviewed within 18 months of the effective date of the tariff to be filed in the case.

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) as directed performed a review of the rates. On June 16, 1999, Staff filed its memorandum reporting its findings and making its recommendation. Based on Staff's analysis, Staff states that a comprehensive 18-month review is not warranted because the existing customer count of ten (10) residential customers and one (1) commercial customer is less than half of the projected customer base. The rates for the company were developed using 25 potential customers being served by the end of 1998. In lieu of a comprehensive review, Staff recommends that TBJ be ordered to submit semi-annual customer

account reports to the accounting staff of the Public Service Commission. Staff has discussed the proposed customer reports with TBJ and the company has agreed to submit these reports on a semi-annual basis. Staff also recommends that this case be closed.

On July 9, the Commission issued an order directing the parties to file their responsive pleadings to Staff's recommendations by July 21. On July 21, Public Counsel filed its response supporting Staff's recommendation. In addition, Public Counsel requested a copy of the semi-annual reports be submitted simultaneously to the Public Counsel. No further responses were received.

The Commission has reviewed the Staff's recommendation and the responsive pleadings and finds that it is reasonable to suspend the requirement that a comprehensive 18-month review be performed on the approved rates for TBJ, and that Staff's and Public Counsel's requests for semi-annual customer account reports are reasonable. The Commission will also close this case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the 18-month comprehensive review of the approved rates as required in the Commission's order issued on October 29, 1997 is canceled.
- 2. That TBJ Sewer System, Inc. shall submit customer account reports semi-annually to the accounting staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and to the Office of the Public Counsel. The first of the semi-annual reports to Staff and Public Counsel shall be submitted on September 2, 1999, and then every six months thereafter, or in the manner which has been agreed upon by the parties.

- 3. That this order shall become effective on August 13, 1999.
- 4. That this case may be closed after August 16, 1999.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Shelly R. Register, Regulatory 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 3rd day of August, 1999.