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**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a Session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office  
in Jefferson City on the 27th  
day of August, 1997.

In the Matter of Central Jefferson       )  
County Utility Company's Tariff       )  
Designed to Increase Sewer Revenue.       )

**Case No. SR-98-7**

**ORDER APPROVING TARIFF**

On November 12, 1996, Central Jefferson County Utility Company (Company) requested an increase of annual sewer revenue of \$53,947.00 or 90% pursuant to the Missouri Public Service Commission's small company rate procedure. The initial request would increase the quarterly sewer rate from \$18.68 to \$25.97 per month for each single family residence. Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.200(1)(G), the Company filed a consent to extend the 150-day period to reach an agreement and file tariff sheets.

The Commission's Staff filed a memorandum to the official case file on August 22, 1997. Staff states the customers were notified in writing on February 17, 1997, of the Company's initial request for a rate increase. Staff received and answered four letters after the notice was sent. Customers complained that the Company's proposed increase was too high and that some customers were on fixed incomes.

After investigating the Company's books, records, and operations, Staff determined that a rate increase of approximately \$30,970 or 41% is justified. Staff's memo recommended this increase in order to provide for the cost of operating and maintaining the system. The Company agreed with the Staff's proposal and filed its tariff sheet on July 3, with an effective date of August 5. The Company filed a request to extend the

2. That this order shall become effective on September 1,  
1997.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Cecil I. Wright", written in a cursive style.

Cecil I. Wright  
Executive Secretary

(S E A L)

Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Murray,  
and Drainer, CC., concur.

ALJ: George