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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 29th day of January, 1998.

In the Matter of the Application of Osage Water Company for Permission, Approval, and a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Authorizing it to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Control, Manage and Maintain a Water and Sewer System for the Public Located in an Unincorporated Portion of Camden County, Missouri.	)	Case No. WA-98-36 ✓
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Osage Beach Fire Protection District, Complainant, v. Osage Water Company, Respondent.	)	Case No. WC-98-211 SG

ORDER DENYING MOTION TO RECONSIDER

On December 12, 1997, Osage Beach Fire Protection District, (District) filed a Motion to Consolidate Case Nos. WC-98-211, WA-97-110 and WA-98-36, all concerning Osage Water Company (OWC or Company). On January 6, 1998, the Commission issued an Order Denying Motion to

Consolidate. The order stated that the motion was denied because the three cases do not involve common questions of law and fact.

On January 16 the District filed a Motion to Reconsider and requested that the Commission reconsider its Order Denying Motion to Consolidate. The District argued that the Commission's order is unlawful, unjust and unreasonable because Staff was ordered to complete its audit before making a recommendation. The District stated that Staff did not complete its audit before making a recommendation, used inconsistent criteria in forming an opinion in making the recommendation, and did not have all the facts available about OWC's finances, operations and ability to manage a water and sewer company before making said recommendation.

The Commission has reviewed the Motion to Reconsider filed by the District. The Commission's order was not based on whether or not Staff completed its audit before recommending that the Commission grant OWC a certificate of public convenience and necessity. The Commission's order was based on the fact that the three cases do not involve common questions of law and fact. Therefore, the Commission determines that the motion should be denied.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Motion to Reconsider filed by Osage Beach Fire Protection District on January 16, 1998, is denied.

2. That this order shall become effective on February 10, 1998.

BY THE COMMISSION

Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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

G. George, Regulatory Law Judge

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OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 29th day of January, 1998.

Dale Hardy Roberts

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge