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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 October, 1997.

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

ORDER APPROVING CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

On April 8, 1997, TBJ Sewer System Inc. (TBJ) filed an application with the Commission requesting a certificate of convenience and necessity authorizing it to construct, own and operate a sewer system for the public in an unincorporated area of Franklin County, Missouri, as set out in a plat map and metes and bounds description attached to the TBJ application.

The proposed area consists of 14 current residential customers with a potential for four more, and a parochial church and school. A potential for up to 42 residential customers exists. TBJ is chiefly concerned with providing service to the church/school.

On October 6 the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed its recommendation in this matter, stating that TBJ has agreed to the Staff's recommended flat rate for residential customers of \$22.00 per month and the Staff's recommended flat rate for the church/school of \$100.00 per month. The Staff notes that the flat rate will serve the church/school until it becomes necessary and feasible to install a meter at that location.

The Staff recommends approval of the application and offers the following additional recommendations, agreed to by TBJ, for consideration by the Commission:

- 1. Approve rates as described herein, to be reviewed by the Staff within eighteen (18) months of the effective date of the tariff to be filed in this case;
- 2. Approve depreciation accrual rates as shown on Attachment 1;
- 3. Order the company to file a complete tariff for sewer service, with the tariff to include a service area description consistent with the application and rates and rules consistent with the Staff's recommendations herein;
- 4. Order the company to keep its books and records in accordance with the <u>Uniform System of Accounts for Class C and D Sewer Utilities</u>, along with appropriate documentation as described herein; and
- 5. Make no finding that would preclude the right to consider the ratemaking treatment to be accorded any matters addressed herein, or any future expenditures by the company, in any later proceeding.

The Commission has reviewed the application and attached documentation, and the Staff financial report and recommendation, and finds no detriment to the public from issuance of the requested certificate. The Commission will approve the application and grant TBJ a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct, own, maintain and operate a sewer system for the public in the service territory as described in the application and Staff recommendation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That a certificate of convenience and necessity is hereby issued to TBJ Sewer System Inc. to construct, own, operate and maintain a sewer system for the public in an unincorporated area of Franklin County, Missouri, as set out in the application herein.
- 2. That TBJ Sewer System Inc. will adopt the depreciation accrual rates as set out in Attachment 1 to this Report and Order.

3. That prior to commencing construction and operation, TBJ Sewer System Inc. will file a complete set of tariffs in full compliance with this order and the Staff recommendations set out herein.

4. That the Commission makes no finding regarding the rate treatment to be afforded the construction and operation of the approved sewer system and reserves all ratemaking treatment thereof for an appropriate rate proceeding.

5. That this order shall become effective on November 12, 1997.

BY THE COMMISSION

Ceil July

Cecil I. Wright
Executive Secretary

(SEAL)

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

Derque, Regulatory Law Judge

TBJ Sewer System Inc. DEPRECIATION RATES

(SEWER)

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Acct. No.	Description of Account	Annual Rate
311	Structures & Improvements	3.0%
352.2	Collection Sewers (Gravity)	2.0%
362 363 373	Receiving Wells & Pump Pits Pumping Equipment Treatment & Disposal Facilities	5.0% 10.0% 4.5%
391 392	Office Furniture & Equipment Transportation Equipment (7 yr ,+ 9% salv)	5.0% 13.0%
393	Other General Equipment	10.0%
394	Tools, Shop, Garage Equipment	5.0% ⁻
398	Miscellaneous Equipment	5.0%