

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Central Jefferson)
County Utilities, Inc., for an Order Authorizing the)
Transfer and Assignment of Certain Water and) **Case No. SO-2007-0071, et al.**
Sewer Assets to Jefferson County Public Sewer)
District and in Connection Therewith, Certain Other)
Related Transactions)

ORDER ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: October 10, 2006

Effective Date: October 10, 2006

On August 15, 2006,¹ Central Jefferson County Utilities, Inc. ("Central Jefferson") filed two identically captioned applications seeking authorization to transfer and assign certain assets of its water and sewer operations to the Jefferson County Public Sewer District ("Sewer District"). To facilitate the proceedings, the Commission consolidated these cases, designating Case No. SO-2007-0071 as the lead case.

On August 17, the Commission added the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the Jefferson County Public Sewer District as parties to this action, and set an intervention deadline of September 6. Raintree Plantation Property Owners Association, Inc., filed a timely request to intervene, and was granted intervention.

A prehearing conference was held on September 29, and the parties were directed to submit a proposed procedural schedule, which was filed on October 6. The parties have recommended a live evidentiary hearing, without prefiled testimony. The parties have also

¹ All dates in this order refer to the year 2006 unless otherwise noted.

requested that the briefing schedule be established at a later date after the issues in the case become better known.

The Commission has reviewed the parties' proposed procedural schedule and finds it to be generally acceptable. The Commission finds that the following conditions should be applied:

(A) The parties shall agree upon and the Staff shall file a list of the issues to be heard, the witnesses to appear on each day of the hearing and the order in which they will be called, and the order of cross-examination for each witness. Any issue not contained in this list of issues will be viewed as uncontested and not requiring resolution by the Commission.

(B) Each party shall file a statement of its position on each disputed issue. Such statement shall be simple and concise, and may not contain argument about why the party believes its position to be the correct one.

(C) The Commission will allow one round of post-hearing briefs.

(D) All pleadings, briefs, and amendments shall be filed in accordance with Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080. Briefs shall follow the same list of issues as filed in the case and must set forth and cite the proper portions of the record concerning the remaining unresolved issues that are to be decided by the Commission.

(E) All parties are required to bring an adequate number of copies of exhibits that they intend to offer into evidence at the hearing. If an exhibit has not been prefiled, the party offering it should bring, in addition to the copy for the court reporter, copies for the five Commissioners, the Presiding Judge, and all counsel.

(F) Each party may prepare and file proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law, including citations to testimony and other evidence, to be filed during the post-hearing briefing schedule.

(G) The Commission's standard practice is that hearing transcripts will be available no later than ten business days following the close of the hearing. If any party seeks to expedite the filing of the transcript, such request shall be tendered in writing to the Regulatory Law Judge at least five days prior to the date of the hearing.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The following procedural schedule is established:

Local Public Hearing in Hillsboro	-	November 6, 2006
Issues List, Order of Witnesses, and Order of Cross	-	November 22, 2006
Position Statements	-	November 29, 2006
Hearing	-	December 19-20, 2006, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

2. The hearing will be held in the offices of the Missouri Public Service Commission at the Governor Office Building, Room 305, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. This hearing will be held in a building that meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in this hearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

3. This order shall become effective on October 10, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Harold Stearley, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 10th day of October, 2006.