

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Stoddard County)
Sewer Company, Inc., R.D. Sewer Co., L.L.C. and the)
Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission for an) **Case No. SO-2008-0289**
Order Authorizing Stoddard County Sewer Co., Inc. to)
Transfer its Assets to R.D. Sewer Co., L.L.C., and for an)
Interim Rate Increase.)

NOTICE REGARDING WITNESSES APPEARING BY PHONE

Issue Date: August 6, 2008

On August 1, 2008, the Commission issued an order captioned: "Order Adopting List of Issues, Order of Opening Statements, List and Order of Witnesses and Order of Cross-Examination, and Notice Advising Parties and Witnesses Regarding How to Participate in the Evidentiary Hearing by Phone." The list of witnesses expected to testify at the evidentiary hearing includes Rodger Owens, James S. Merciel, Jr., Steve Rackers, Randall Shepard, Rodger Williams, and Ted Robertson.

By allowing witnesses to appear by phone, the Commission is attempting to convenience those witnesses who would have to travel a significant distance to be present in the hearing room. However, the Commission recognizes that the absence of witnesses from the hearing room has the potential to create logistical problems. Consequently, the Commission directs the counsel who intend to proffer any of these witnesses by phone to provide the witnesses, prior to the hearing, a copy of any and all documents, exhibits, or any other evidentiary materials, that counsel intends to offer into evidence so that these witnesses may refer to said materials during the hearing – especially when called upon to

do so by counsel or by the Commission. In particular, and at minimum, counsel will provide, to any of their witnesses intending to appear by phone, a copy of the reports filed by Bonadio & Co., L.L.P. and Smith & Co. Engineers on July 9, 2008.

The Commission is allowing Randall Shepard from Bonadio & Co., L.L.P., and Rodger Williams from Smith & Co. Engineers to appear by phone. These witnesses are subject matter experts retained by the Commission for this proceeding. If any party intends to question these witnesses regarding any evidentiary material that would require a physical copy of that material to be in their possession for review, those parties are instructed to supply those materials to Mr. Shepard and Mr. Williams prior to the hearing.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written in a cursive style.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Stearley, Senior Regulatory Law Judge