

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
May 4, 2000**

CASE NO: WR-2000-594

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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office
in Jefferson City on the 4th
day of May, 2000.

In the Matter of Emerald Pointe)	
Utility Company's Tariff)	<u>Case No. WR-2000-594</u>
Designed to Implement a General)	Tariff File No. 199900915
Water Rate Increase)	

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

Pursuant to the Commission's informal rate procedure, on March 23, 2000, Emerald Pointe Utility Company (Emerald Pointe) filed a tariff designed to increase its rate for water service by approximately 8.7 percent. Emerald Pointe also filed a letter requesting that its revised tariff sheets be approved, and an *Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Company Rate Increase Request* that it had entered into with the Staff of the Commission.

On May 1, 2000, Staff filed a memorandum in which it recommended that the Commission approve Emerald Pointe's tariff. Based upon its audit of Emerald Pointe's books and records, an evaluation of the company's depreciation rates and an analysis of the company's capital structure and cost of capital, Staff concluded that Emerald Pointe could justify an increase of \$2,500 (approximately 8.7%) in its annual water service operating revenues. On May 2, 2000, the Office of the Public Counsel filed a Statement of Position indicating that it does not oppose the agreement between Staff and Emerald Pointe.

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The Commission finds the proposed tariff sheet submitted on March 23, 2000, to be reasonable and will approve it for service on or after May 10, 2000.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

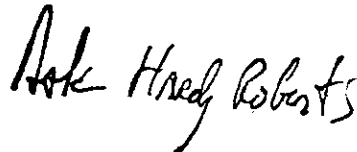
1. That the following tariff sheet, filed March 23, 2000, by Emerald Pointe Utility Company, and assigned Tariff File No. 199900915, is approved for service on or after May 10, 2000:

P.S.C. Mo. No.

First Revised Sheet No. 4, Canceling Original Sheet No. 4

2. That this order shall become effective on May 10, 2000.
3. That this case may be closed after May 11, 2000.

BY THE COMMISSION



Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary\Chief Regulatory Law Judge

(S E A L)

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

Mills, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge

Alt/Sec'y: Mills/Boyer

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Lumpe, Chair

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Crump, Commissioner

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Murray, Commissioner

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Schemenauer, Commissioner

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Drainer, Vice-Chair

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Agenda Date

Action taken: 5-0AA

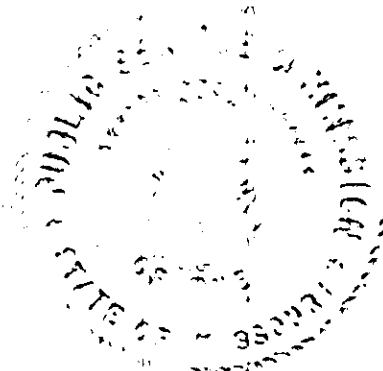
Must Vote Not Later Than _____

**STATE OF MISSOURI
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 4th day of May 2000.



Dale Hardy Roberts

**Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**