

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
JEFFERSON CITY
February 8, 2002**

CASE NO: WR-2002-371

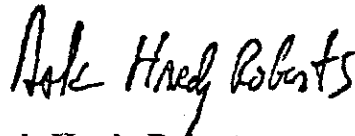
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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dale Hardy Roberts". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Request of Argyle)
Estates Water Supply for a General Rate)
Increase Pursuant to the Commission's)
Small Company Rate Increase Procedure at)
Rule 4 CSR 240-2.200)

Case No. WR-2002-371

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

On February 4, 2002, Argyle Estates Water Supply filed its cover letter, agreement, and tariff seeking a general rate increase pursuant to the Commission's small company rate increase procedure at rule 4 CSR 240-2.200. Argyle Estates seeks approximately \$5,433 in increased annual operating revenues for its water operations, an increase of approximately 58.9 percent. In its cover letter, Argyle Estates stated its consent to an extension of the 150-day time limit imposed by the cited regulation. The filed agreement was signed by Argyle Estates and the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission. The proposed tariff sheet bears an effective date of March 22, 2002, 46 days after the date of issue.

Pursuant to the Commission's small company rate case procedure, when the Office of the Public Counsel does not join in the agreement, Public Counsel has a period of 20 days from the filing of the agreement during which to request that the Commission convene a local public hearing. The Commission will establish the date by which such a request must be filed. Likewise, if no such request is filed, Public Counsel must file a

pleading stating its agreement or disagreement with the rate increase no later than the 25th day after the filing of the agreement. The Commission will establish that date as well.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That any request for a local public hearing on this matter must be filed on or before February 25, 2002, with a copy to all parties.
2. That, in the event that a request for a local public hearing is not filed on or before February 25, 2002, the Office of the Public Counsel shall file a pleading stating its agreement or disagreement with the proposed rate increase on or before March 1, 2002.
3. That this order shall become effective on February 28, 2002.

BY THE COMMISSION



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

(SEAL)

Vicky Ruth, Senior Regulatory Law
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 8th day of February, 2002.

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 8th day of Feb. 2002 .

Dale Hardy Roberts

Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

