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May 3, 2002

Mr. Dale H. Roberts
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
Public Service Commission
P. O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

**Re: Valley Woods Water Company, Inc.
Case No. SR-2002-475**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced case please find the original and eight copies of **Public Counsel's Response to Staff's Recommendation Regarding Valley Woods' Request to Raise Sewer Rates Pursuant to the Commission's Procedures for Small Company Rate Increase Requests**. Please "file" stamp the extra-enclosed copy and return it to this office.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M. Ruth O'Neill".

M. Ruth O'Neill
Assistant Public Counsel

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cc: Counsel of Record

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

In the Matter of the Application of)
Valley Woods Application to Increase)
Sewer Rates under the Commission's) Case No. SR-2002-475
Procedure for Small Company Rate)
Increases.)

**PUBLIC COUNSEL'S RESPONSE TO STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION
REGARDING VALLEY WOODS' REQUEST TO RAISE SEWER RATES
PURSUANT TO THE COMMISSION'S PROCEDURES FOR SMALL
COMPANY RATE INCREASE REQUESTS**

COMES NOW, the Office of the Public Counsel, pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.200(D), and respectfully informs the Commission that it does not oppose the Staff's recommendation authorizing Valley Woods to raise the rates it charges for sewer service.

Respectfully submitted,

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to the following this 3rd day of May 2002:

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