BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Lincoln County Sewer and Water, LLC For Approval of a Rate Increase)))	Case No. <u>SR-2013-0321</u>
In the Matter of the Application of Lincoln County Sewer and Water, LLC For Approval of a Rate Increase)))	Case No. <u>WR-2013-0322</u>

STAFF'S REQUEST FOR HEARING

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), by and through counsel, and states as follows:

1. On December 4, 2012, the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) received a Request for Increase in Annual Sewer and Water System Operating Revenues from Lincoln County Sewer & Water, LLC (LCSW or Company) requesting Commission approval of an increase of \$13,382.00 in its annual sewer system operating revenues and an increase of \$7,569.00 in its annual water system operating revenues pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050 (Small Utility Rate Case Procedure), which were respectively assigned Commission Case Nos. SR-2013-0321 and WR-2013-0322.

2. Upon completion of its investigation of LCSW's request, Staff provided the Company and the Office of the Public Counsel (OPC) with the results of Staff's investigation and Staff's recommendations for the resolution of the revenue increase request.

3. Unfortunately, Staff and LCSW have been unable to reach an agreement regarding resolution of the Company's request. Because of this, Staff hereby requests

this case be resolved by evidentiary hearing, pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050(21), which states that:

If at any time after a case is opened it becomes clear to the utility or the staff that agreements cannot be reached on even a portion of the issues related to the utility's request, even through the use of mediation or arbitration, either may file a motion asking that the utility's request be resolved through contested case procedures conducted in the time remaining in the rate case process....

4. Considering the timeline approved in this case per 4 CSR 240-3.050(24),

Staff requests that a procedural conference be scheduled as soon as possible.

WHEREFORE, Staff submits this request for hearing in the matter of

Lincoln County Sewer and Water, LLC's request for an increase in rates.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Amy E. Moore</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed with first-class postage, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 2nd day of July, 2013.

<u>/s/ Amy E. Moore</u>