BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Lake Region Water & Sewer Company's Application to Implement a General Rate Increase in Water & Sewer Service.)))	File No. SR-2010-0110
In the Matter of Lake Region Water & Sewer Company's Application to Implement a General)	File No. WR-2010-0111
Rate Increase in Water & Sewer Service.)	

THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL'S OBJECTION TO TARIFF SHEETS

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel and for its Objection to Tariff Sheets states as follows:

- 1. On August 18, 2010, the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) issued its Report and Order in this case and instructed Lake Region Water & Sewer Company (Lake Region) to file revised tariffs no later than August 23, 2010.
- 2. On August 23, 2010, Lake Region filed the following:

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P.S.C. MO No. 1 First Revised Sheet No. 4, replacing Original Sheet No. 4; P.S.C. MO No. 1 First Revised Sheet No. 5, replacing Original Sheet No. 5; P.S.C. MO No. 2 Second Revised Sheet No. 6, replacing First Revised Sheet No. 6; P.S.C. MO No. 2 Second Revised Sheet No. 7, replacing First Revised Sheet No. 7; P.S.C. MO No. 1 First Revised Sheet No. 7-A, replacing Original Sheet No. 7-A; P.S.C. MO No. 2 First Revised Sheet No. 8, replacing Original Sheet No. 8.
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3. In the Report and Order, the Commission declared that it has jurisdiction over the availability fees and the revenue derived from them.¹ However, availability fees are not listed in the revised tariffs under the Rules & Regulations Governing the Rendering of Water Service – Schedule of Rates.

¹ Report & Order, pgs. 103 & 104

- 4. Tariffs are the inclusive documents setting out the rates and charges of a public utility. As the availability fees are charges under the jurisdiction of the Commission, just as connection fees are, availability fees should be included in Lake Region's tariffs.
- 5. At the very least, the tariffs should contain a statement regarding the existence of availability fees and the Commission's jurisdiction over the availability fees and the revenue derived from them. This will avoid confusion and serve as notice of the existence of the availability fees associated with this regulated utility.

WHEREFORE, Public Counsel respectfully submits its Objection.

Respectfully submitted,

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