

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

In the Matter of House Springs Sewer                 )  
Sewer Company, Inc Rate Increase Request         )         **Case No. SR-2012-0399**

## JOINT REQUEST TO SET LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), by and through counsel, the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel), by and through its counsel, and file this *Joint Request to Set Local Public Hearing* and states the following in support thereof:

1. On May 30, 2012, the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) received a Rate Increase Request Letter (Request) from House Springs.
2. On November 1, 2012, the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) requested a local public hearing.
3. Also on November 1, 2012, the Commission granted Public Counsel's request for local public hearing. A date for the local public hearing has not been established.
4. According to the case timeline, the target due date for a local public hearing is December 31, 2012.
5. However, Staff and Public Counsel request that the Commission schedule a local public hearing at its earliest convenience in December 2012, or early January 2013, providing sufficient time for notice to be given to the customers. Allowing the local public hearing to be scheduled prior to the time specified in the case timeline is preferred so that this case may be resolved as quickly as possible.

6. Representatives of the Company have inquired into when this matter would be set and have no objection to Staff and Public Counsel filing this joint motion.

**WHEREFORE**, Staff and Public Counsel submit this *Joint Request to Set Local Public Hearing* for the Commission's information and consideration in this case and requests that the Commission enter an Order setting the local public hearing at its earliest convenience in December 2012 or early January 2013, and any other relief the Commission deems appropriate.

Respectfully Submitted,

**STAFF OF THE MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were served electronically to all counsel of record this 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2012.

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