BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Request for Increase)
in Annual Sewer System Operating Revenues) <u>Case No. SR-2012-0399</u>
by House Springs Sewer Company, Inc.	

NOTICE OF UNANIMOUS AGREEMENT REGARDING DISPOSITION OF SMALL COMPANY RATE INCREASE REQUEST

COMES NOW the Staff (Staff) of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission), by and through the undersigned counsel, and on behalf of House Springs Sewer Company, Inc. (House Springs or Company) and the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel), and files this *Notice of Unanimous Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Company Revenue Increase Request* (Notice) and states the following:

- 1. On May 30, 2012, the Commission received a Rate Increase Request Letter (Request) from House Springs.
- 2. Upon completion of its investigation of the Company's request, Staff provided House Springs and Public Counsel with materials related to Staff's investigation, as well as Staff's initial recommendation for the resolution of the Request.
- 3. Subsequent to the Staff's investigation and pursuant to negotiations between Staff and the Company, the Staff and the Company reached a *Company/Staff Agreement Regarding Disposition Of Small Company Rate Increase Request*, filed in this case on October 29, 2012.
- 4. Public Counsel did not join in the agreement. Instead, on November 1, 2012, Public Counsel filed motions requesting that the Commission suspend the tariffs

and schedule a local public hearing, which was held on January 7, 2013. Public Counsel filed a *Request for Evidentiary Hearing* on January 22, 2013. After successful negotiations, Public Counsel withdrew the request on February 1, 2013.

- 5. All parties have reached a *Unanimous Agreement Regarding Disposition* of *Small Sewer Company Revenue Increase Request* (Unanimous Agreement), which is attached here as Appendix A and incorporated by reference. Appendix A also includes various attachments related to the Unanimous Agreement, and affidavits from Staff members who investigated this matter.
- 6. As agreed upon by the parties to this case, the Unanimous Agreement provides for an increase of \$133,654 in the Company's annual operating revenues, and provides for tariff sheets to become effective March 15, 2013.
- 7. The Company is current on its payment of Commission assessments and on its filings of annual reports and statements of revenue. The Company has no other cases pending before the Commission at this time.
- 8. Staff has notified both the Company and Public Counsel of this filing, and neither objected to this filing.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits this Notice and the attached Appendix A for the Commission's consideration, and requests that the Commission enter an Order adopting the terms agreed upon by Staff, the Company, and Public Counsel.

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 7th day of February, 2013.

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