

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

In the Matter of Hickory Hills Water)	
and Sewer Co., Inc. Small Company)	Case No. SR-2014-0166
Rate Increase)	

**MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES'
RESPONSE TO WITHDRAWAL OF REQUEST FOR RATE INCREASE**

COMES NOW the Missouri Department of Natural Resources ("MDNR"),
Intervenor, and in response to this Commission's September 16, 2014 order directing filing,
states the following:

1. The filing of the request for rate increase was mandated by the agreed order
of preliminary injunction in MDNR's enforcement against Hickory Hills Water and Sewer
Co. ("Hickory Hills"), Circuit Court of Moniteau County Case No. 12MT-CC00027.

2. Given the anticipated transfer of Hickory Hills' assets to another party,
MDNR consents to the withdrawal of the request for rate increase, without prejudice to the
refiling of a new request for rate increase in the event that the transfer of assets is not
completed.

WHEREFORE, MDNR consents to the withdrawal of the request for rate increase
at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or e-mailed to all counsel of record this 16th day of September, 2014.

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