STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 31st day of July, 2013.

In the Matter of the Request for an Increase in Sewer Operating Revenues of Emerald Pointe Utility Company File No. SR-2013-0016 et. al, Tariff Nos. YW-2014-0035 and YS-2014-0036

ORDER REGARDING COMPLIANCE TARIFFS

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Issue Date: July 31, 2013

Effective Date: July 31, 2013

On July 10, 2013, the Commission issued a report and order that authorized Emerald Pointe Utility Company to file tariffs sufficient to recover revenues as determined in that report and order. Emerald Pointe filed its separate compliance tariffs for water and sewer service on July 24.

Emerald Pointe's compliance tariffs carry a 30-day effective date that would put the tariffs in effect on August 23, 2013. However, Emerald Pointe filed a motion along with its tariff asking the Commission to expedite its consideration of the compliance tariffs and to approve the tariffs to go into effect on August 1, 2013. Emerald Pointe explains that it prepares bills at the first of each month based on end of the month readings of customer meters. Emerald Pointe indicates its implementation of the recently approved rates will be much simpler if those rates become effective on the first day of a month.

Upon receiving Emerald Pointe's motion for expedited approval of its tariffs, the Commission issued an order on July 25, directing its Staff to file a recommendation regarding those tariffs by July 30. That order also directed any other party wishing to file a recommendation regarding Emerald Pointe's tariffs to do so no later than July 30.

Public Counsel immediately filed an objection to Emerald Pointe's request for expedited approval of its tariffs, claiming that it needs a full thirty days to fully review the tariffs. In addition, on July 30, Public Counsel filed specific objections to the substance of Emerald Pointe's tariff. Emerald Pointe filed revised tariff sheets on July 30 that address some, but not all of Public Counsel's objections. The company also responded to Public Counsel's objections to the motion for expedited treatment and again asked the Commission to approve the tariff on an expedited basis, while allowing Public Counsel a reasonable time to apply for rehearing. Staff filed its recommendation on July 30, advising the Commission that in its opinion Emerald Pointe's submitted tariff, as substituted on July 30, complies with the Commission's report and order.

After reviewing Emerald Pointe's motion for expedited approval of its tariff, and after considering Public Counsel's objection and Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that Emerald Pointe has not established good cause under Section 393.140(11), RSMo 2000, for approving its tariff to take effect on August 1. The Commission will deny Emerald Pointe's Motion for Expedited Treatment of its tariffs. By this order the Commission is not making any findings or decisions about the ultimate approval or rejection of the submitted compliance tariffs.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. Emerald Pointe Utility Company's Motion for Expedited Treatment of Tariff Sheets Filed in Compliance with Commission Report and Order is denied.

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2. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Morris & Woodruff

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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R. Kenney, Chm., Jarrett, Stoll, and W. Kenney, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge