

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office in  
Jefferson City on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of  
December, 2008.

In the Matter of West 16th Sewer Company's )	<b><u>Case No. SR-2008-0389</u></b>
Small Company Rate Increase )	Tariff No. YS-2009-0335

**ORDER SUSPENDING TARIFF**

Issue Date December 11, 2008

Effective Date: December 11, 2008

**Syllabus:** This order suspends West 16th Sewer Company's tariff for 30 days.

On June 9, 2008<sup>1</sup>, West 16th Sewer Company (hereafter West 16th Sewer) filed a rate increase request letter. West 16th Sewer asked the Commission to allow it to increase its rates by \$52,945.68.

On November 6, the Staff of the Commission (hereafter "Staff") filed an *Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Company Rate Increase Request*. The Agreement was between Staff and West 16th Sewer only, and it stated that those parties agreed West 16<sup>th</sup> Sewer should be allowed to increase its rates \$6,031. West 16<sup>th</sup> Sewer also filed a tariff bearing an effective date of December 22 to effectuate that increase.

On December 9, the Office of the Public Counsel (hereafter "OPC") filed its Motion to Suspend Tariff. In support of its motion, OPC stated that a significant number of customer comments regarding system management, quality of service and the reasonableness of the proposed increased were received. OPC further stated that giving

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<sup>1</sup> All calendar references are to 2008 unless otherwise noted.

customers a chance to speak to the Commission regarding the increase is part of the ratemaking process.

The Commission has very little time to schedule and hold a local public hearing before the tariff effective date. Therefore, the Commission will suspend the tariff. The Commission will issue a subsequent order regarding the location, date and time of the local public hearing.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The Office of the Public Counsel's Request for Local Public Hearing is granted.
2. That the following tariff sheet filed by West 16<sup>th</sup> Sewer Company, and assigned Tariff File No. YS-2009-0335, is suspended until January 21, 2009, or until otherwise ordered by the Commission:

**P.S.C. MO No. 1**

2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 4, Canceling 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 4

3. That this order shall become effective on December 11, 2008.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Colleen Dale  
Secretary

( S E A L )

Davis, Chm., Murray, Clayton,  
and Gunn, CC., concur.  
Jarrett, C., absent.

Pridgin, Senior Regulatory Law Judge