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5	Complainant,)			
6	vs.) SC-2014-0214			
7	OSAGE WATER COMPANY,) WC-2014-0215			
8	Respondent.)			
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12	TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS			
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Page 3 PROCEEDINGS 1 2 THE COURT: Let's go ahead and go on the 3 record. It is currently 2:04 p.m. on Wednesday, April 9th, 2014. The Commission has set this time for a 4 5 prehearing conference in files number SC-2014-0214 and WC-2014-0215, Summit Investment, LLC, complainant 6 7 versus Osage Water Company, Respondent. At this time, 8 I'm going to ask that all the parties present enter their appearance and provide their address so the court reporter can get that on the record. Go ahead 10 11 and start with the complainant, Summit Investment. 12 MR. WESTENHAVER: Ronald D. Westenhaver, 13 6340 Red Barn Road, Osage Beach, Missouri. 14 MR. GREEN: Jeff Green, his attorney, 4558 15 Osage Beach Parkway, Suite 106, Osage Beach, Missouri 65065. 16 17 THE COURT: All right. Thank you. And for Osage Water Company? 18 19 MR. COVER: On behalf of Osage Water Company, my name is Gary Cover. C-O-V-E-R. I'm the 20 21 court-appointed receiver and attorney. My address is 137 West Franklin, Clinton, Missouri 64735. 22 23 THE COURT: All right. Thank you. And on behalf of the staff of the Public Service Commission. 24 25 MR. THOMPSON: Kevin Thompson and Alexander

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- 1 Antal for the staff of the Missouri Public Service
- 2 Commission, Post Office Box 360, Jefferson City,
- 3 Missouri 65102.
- 4 THE COURT: All right. Thank you. And on
- 5 behalf of the Office of Public Council.
- 6 MS. BAKER: Thank you. Christina Baker.
- 7 PO Box 2230 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.
- 8 THE COURT: All right. Now, are there any
- 9 other parties that I might have missed? Hearing none,
- 10 the reason that we went ahead and scheduled this
- 11 pre-hearing is to address possible hearing dates, or
- 12 if there's any possibility of a resolution through
- 13 settlement. I don't know if the parties have had an
- 14 opportunity to discuss the issues or the disputes.
- 15 And we can let you have this room and an opportunity
- 16 to discuss after we go off the record. In the
- 17 interim, though, I would like to go ahead and suggest
- 18 that the parties look at their calendars -- I hope you
- 19 have those in front of you -- to determine whether or
- 20 not we can make a hearing date schedule for today.
- 21 Mr. Cover and Mr. Green.
- MR. GREEN: Yes.
- THE COURT: Do you have your calendars?
- 24 MR. GREEN: I do. Gary, do you have your
- 25 calendar?

Page 5 1 MR. COVER: I can, in about five seconds. 2 THE COURT: Well, while Mr. Cover is 3 getting his calendar, let me go ahead and ask --MR. COVER: I've got it now. I'm sorry. 4 5 Excuse me. 6 THE COURT: No. You're fine. Let me ask 7 the parties, is there a possibility that this could be 8 handled with just oral arguments, or are there 9 disputes on the facts that we need to present an 10 evidentiary hearing? Or do we just need oral 11 arguments, let's say on a summary judgment motion? 12 And if the parties are unaware at this time and need 13 to sort of resolve it through discovery first to make that determination, that's fine. I just want to know 14 15 what we need to be scheduling. 16 MR. COVER: Well -- this is Gary Cover on 17 behalf of the respondent. And I think, frankly, from our perspective -- and I think, Jeff -- I don't think 18 we've got any real dispute as to the facts. Do we, 19 Jeff? 20 21 MR. GREEN: I think you're right, Gary. That's why I'm --22 23 MR. COVER: Yeah. I think we can put 24 together -- my feeling would be we can put together a a -- a stipulated set of facts to present. 25

Page 6 1 THE COURT: Okav. 2 MR. COVER: You know, the -- yeah. That's 3 my feeling, anyway. I don't know that we -- there was a -- there was a -- well, there is. There was a --4 5 there's some companion civil litigation that there was some discovery in. And frankly, from my perspective, 6 7 I think that's probably as much or all that we would 8 need. MR. GREEN: Yeah. 9 10 MR. COVER: I don't know a whole lot more, unless Jeff does. 11 12 MR. GREEN: And I would -- I would agree 13 with you, Gary. I think we can probably stipulate to most of the facts. There hasn't been a lot of 14 disagreement. And -- and just so you know, Judge, 15 we've had discussions for years. This is not 16 17 something that's been going on a short time. So we have not spoken since we got the -- the staff 18 19 investigation report, though. 20 THE COURT: Okay. 21 MR. GREEN: So I would like to think there's some room in here to get this resolved, but we 22 haven't spoken yet, so --23 THE COURT: Okay. Do OPC or staff have any 24 issues, then, with that possibility of just having 25

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1	stipulated facts submitted without discovery?	
2	MR. THOMPSON: Staff does not.	
3	MS. BAKER: I don't believe we would,	
4	either.	
5	THE COURT: Okay. Then in that case, let's	
6	go ahead and have the parties take a look at their	
7	calendars. And I'm assuming you're going to need at	
8	least 30 days to prepare any motions. I hear a little	
9	chuckle from one of the counsels. And then an	
10	additional 30 days. Let's take a look at the	
11	calendars. What are our thoughts as far as July?	
12	Does that seem reasonable to the parties?	
13	MR. GREEN: Yes. I think so. What do you	
14	think, Gary?	
15	MR. COVER: I agree to that.	
16	THE COURT: All right. Now, right now, I	
17	believe that the Commission is going to be attending a	
18	conference the week of the 14th through the 18th of	
19	July. But it appears that they have available dates,	
20	and I have available dates from the 21st of July	
21	through the 30th.	
22	MR. COVER: With with the exception of	
23	Tuesday afternoons, I'm I can certainly open that	
24	period of time.	
25	MR. GREEN: And the only the only day I	

Page 8 have unavailable would be the 24th. 2 THE COURT: Okay. 3 MR. GREEN: My preference would be some time that week. The week of the 21st, if at all 4 5 possible. THE COURT: How does the 23rd work? 6 7 MR. GREEN: That's fine with me. How about 8 you, Gary? MR. COVER: That's fine. 9 10 THE COURT: Okay. Then let's go ahead and schedule -- and I'm assuming the parties have no 11 12 objection to the hearing occurring here in the Office of the Public Service Commission. 13 14 MR. GREEN: We have no objection. MR. COVER: That's fine. No objection. 15 16 THE COURT: Okay. Then let's go ahead and 17 schedule it down for July 23rd. I'm assuming it's not going to be that long, since we're not going to be 18 having witnesses called for evidentiary issues. And I 19 understand, Mr. Cover, you're going to be driving a 20 fair distance for this as well. How do the parties 21 feel about a 10:00 start? 22 23 MR. GREEN: That's fine with me. 2.4 MR. COVER: That's okay. But I can do 9:00, no problem, if that's what you prefer. It's no 25

Page 9 big deal. 1 2 THE COURT: Why don't we go ahead, then, 3 and say 10:00, just to be sure. Because Wednesdays are normally the Commission's agenda days that start 4 5 at 9:00. So that will give them an opportunity to attend agenda first, without rearranging their 6 7 schedule. 8 MR. COVER: All right. 9 MR. GREEN: Okay. 10 THE COURT: Okay. So July 23rd at 10:00. 11 And this, of course, is dependent upon any motions 12 being filed by the parties requesting summary judgment. All right? Now, are there any other issues 13 that we need to have addressed during this pre-hearing conference? 15 16 MR. WESTENHAVER: Am I allowed to speak? 17 THE COURT: You have an attorney here to present any issues. As far as if you have a conflict 18 with the date that we've scheduled, then I'll hear 19 that. Otherwise, I would say we're not going to get 20 21 into any of the factual issues or any legal argument. 22 MR. WESTENHAVER: I'm not talking about 23 that. I'm talking about the fact that I'm 74, going to be 75 in three months. And that this has gone on 24 so long. And every month, I have to pay interest 25

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- 1 payments on the land that I haven't been able to use
- 2 for over 12 years. And so I would like to make sure
- 3 that this date does work, and that hopefully we can
- 4 come to some resolution by that time. Because, you
- 5 know, I ain't going to live forever, and neither is my
- 6 checkbook.
- 7 THE COURT: I understand that, sir. But we
- 8 also have to deal with the schedules and motions.
- 9 There are legal procedures that have to occur first
- 10 before we can have that hearing. And before I can
- 11 even schedule that date, I need to make sure that I
- 12 give the parties sufficient time for your attorney to
- 13 do his work. Okay? So is there anything else that we
- 14 need to address on the record?
- MR. COVER: Nothing on behalf of
- 16 respondent.
- 17 THE COURT: Okay.
- 18 MR. GREEN: I don't believe so.
- 19 THE COURT: Since it doesn't appear that
- 20 we're going to need discovery, I'm not going to be
- 21 issuing a procedural schedule. If at any time that
- 22 any motions need to be filed, or any arguments prior
- 23 to the motion for summary judgment need to occur, then
- 24 I'm going to be relying on the attorneys to file the
- 25 appropriate motions.

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1	MR. GREEN: Okay.	- "5" 11
2	THE COURT: We're going to go ahead and go	
3	off the record, and at that time, the parties can	
4	discuss and see if they can reach a possible	
5	settlement.	
6	MR. GREEN: Okay.	
7	THE COURT: Thank you, everyone. And we're	
8	now off the record.	
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2	STATE OF MISSOURI)	
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5	I, Sarah J. Pokorski, Certified Court	
6	Reporter #0745, do hereby certify that I was	
7	personally present at the proceedings as set forth in	
8	the caption sheet hereof; that I then and there took	
9	down in stenotype the proceedings had at said time and	
10	thereafter transcribed them into writing, and it is	
11	fully and accurately set forth in the preceding pages.	
12	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set	
13	my hand and seal on May 1, 2014.	
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