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State Of Missouri, )  
Complainant, )  
vs. ) File No. SC-2013-0332  
West 16th Street Sewer )  
Company, Inc., A Missouri )  
Regulated Sewer Corporation, )  
Respondent. )  
  
MORRIS L. WOODRUFF, Presiding,  
DEPUTY CHIEF REGULATORY LAW JUDGE  
  
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1 (Starting time of hearing: 10:20 a.m.)

2 P R O C E E D I N G S

3 JUDGE WOODRUFF: This is File No. SC-2013-0332  
4 which is Office of the Public Counsel's complaint against  
5 West 16th Street Sewer Company, and we're here for a  
6 prehearing conference. And I just wanted to give  
7 everybody the opportunity to explain where we want to go  
8 and discuss amongst yourselves as to what procedure we  
9 need to follow and if you can give me a proposed  
10 procedural schedule.

11 It's my understanding this is, essentially, a rate  
12 complaint; is that correct?

13 MS. BAKER: An over-earnings complaint, yes.

14 JUDGE WOODRUFF: An over-earnings complaint. I  
15 was curious when I was reading the case as to whether  
16 Public Counsel wanted to proceed in this as a contested  
17 rate case or if you wanted to force this -- or push this  
18 into a small company rate procedure.

19 Do you know at this point or is that something you  
20 want to discuss with the other parties?

21 MS. BAKER: We have discussed with the Company  
22 some issues about what a small rate case would accomplish  
23 for this.

24 JUDGE WOODRUFF: Okay.

25 MS. BAKER: So, we are in discussions for that.

1 And I think, at this point, it sort of depends on the  
2 Company's thoughts on that.

3 MS. LEWIS: Staff has not been privy to any of  
4 those discussions, Judge.

5 JUDGE WOODRUFF: It just occurs to me I never put  
6 entry of appearance. We need to figure out who is here.  
7 That's what happens when you come in 20 minutes late.

8 Let's start with Staff. Entry of appearance.

9 MS. THOMPSON: Goldie Thompson and Rachel Lewis  
10 appearing for the Staff of the Missouri Public Commission,  
11 P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102.

12 JUDGE WOODRUFF: Okay. For Public Counsel.

13 MS. BAKER: Christina Baker, P.O. Box 2230,  
14 Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102, appearing on the behalf  
15 of the Office of the Public Counsel and the Ratepayers.

16 JUDGE WOODRUFF: Mr. Cooper.

17 MR. COOPER: Dean Cooper appearing on behalf of  
18 West 16th Street Sewer Company, and the Court Reporter has  
19 the address.

20 JUDGE WOODRUFF: Very good. I think that takes  
21 care of my procedural questions then.

22 Well, it sounds like you've already had some  
23 discussions, and I'll leave you to more discussions. Is  
24 there anything that we need to deal with on the record  
25 while we're here today?

1 MS. BAKER: I have some discovery things to talk  
2 about, but I don't believe they need to be on the record.

3 JUDGE WOODRUFF: Okay.

4 MR. COOPER: You mentioned a procedural schedule.  
5 Are you looking for that in a week, 10 days?

6 JUDGE WOODRUFF: That is our usual --

7 MR. COOPER: And, given the fact that the  
8 Company's answer is not due until the 14th, I guess.

9 JUDGE WOODRUFF: Yeah. This is a little unusual  
10 that it is in the form of a complaint. Why don't we wait  
11 until after the answer and say procedural schedule due on  
12 -- I don't have a calender. Is the 17th a weekday?

13 MR. COOPER: It's a Thursday.

14 JUDGE WOODRUFF: All right. Let's say procedural  
15 schedule due on January 17th, and admission will be open  
16 to any -- how this is to be handled, handled as a small  
17 rate case or as a formal rate case. Okay? Anything else  
18 anyone wants to bring up?

19 (No response.)

20 JUDGE WOODRUFF: All right. With that, we will  
21 conclude the on-record of this portion of the prehearing  
22 conference, and I'll leave you to your discussions. Thank  
23 you all very much.

24 (Adjournment.)

25 (Whereupon, the record ended at a 10:25 a.m.)

1 C E R T I F I C A T E

2 STATE OF MISSOURI )

) ss.

3 COUNTY OF COLE )

4 I, Pamela S. Gentry, Certified Court  
5 Reporter with the firm of Midwest Litigation Services, do  
6 hereby certify that I was personally present at the  
7 proceedings had in the above-entitled cause at the time  
8 and place set forth in the caption sheet thereof; that I  
9 then and there took down in Stenotype the proceedings had;  
10 and that the foregoing is a full, true and correct  
11 transcript of such Stenotype notes so made at such time  
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13 Given at my office in the City of  
14 Jefferson, County of Cole, State of Missouri.

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