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Issue: Rate Case Expense,

Depreciation Expense

Witness: Leslie Rose

Sponsoring Party: MoPSC Staff
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DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

LESLIE ROSE

EMERALD POINTE UTILITY COMPANY

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Jefferson City, Missouri March 2013

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6	Q.	Please state your name and business address.	
7	A.	Leslie Rose, 111 N. 7 th Street, Suite 105, St. Louis, MO 63101.	
8	Q.	By whom are you employed and in what capacity?	
9	A.	I am employed by the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") as a	
10	Utility Regulatory Auditor I in the Auditing Unit of the Utility Services Department, Regulatory		
11	Review Division.		
12	BACKGRO	UND OF WITNESS	
13	Q.	Please describe your educational background and work experience.	
14	A.	I attended Maryville University, St. Louis, Missouri, and received a Bachelor of	
15	Science degree in Business Administration in 2006 and a Bachelor of Science degree in		
16	Accounting in 2012. I have been employed by the Commission since June 4, 2012, within the		
17	Auditing Unit.		
18	Q.	Have you previously filed testimony before this Commission?	
19	A.	No, I have not.	
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20	EXECUTIV	<u>YE SUMMARY</u>	
21	Q.	What is the purpose of your direct testimony in this proceeding?	

A. My direct testimony will address two of the updates made to the Commission Staff's ("Staff's") accounting schedules that were originally filed as part of the Emerald Pointe Utility Company ("Company" or "Emerald Pointe") /Staff Partial Agreement Regarding Disposition. The updated accounting schedules are being filed concurrently with Staff's direct testimony. The updated items are: (1) Rate Case Expense; and (2) Depreciation Expense.

RATE CASE EXPENSE

- Q. Has Staff updated the amount of rate case expense included in Staff's cost of service calculation?
- A. Yes. Based upon recently obtained invoices, Staff has updated its recommendation for rate case expense to include additional amounts incurred by Emerald Pointe related to its current rate case.
- Q. What amount of rate case expense has Staff included in its updated cost of service?
- A. Based on information provided to Staff, a normalized amount of \$1,135 for each of the water and sewer systems, a total of \$2,269, has been included for an ongoing annual expense level related to rate case expense. This updated amount includes the cost of customer notices for the local public hearing recently ordered by the Commission. As well, Staff was provided with additional invoices pertaining to rate case expense from Emerald Pointe; therefore, Staff updated the expense level based on this new data as well.

DEPRECIATION EXPENSE

Q. Has Staff updated the amount of depreciation expense included in Staff's cost of service calculation?

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- A. Yes, Staff has updated its accounting schedules based upon an updated depreciation schedule provided by Mr. Arthur W. Rice of Staff's Engineering and Management Services Unit. The update resulted in an additional \$991 of depreciation expense being included in Staff's cost of service calculation.
 - Q. Does this conclude your direct testimony?
 - A. Yes, it does.

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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AFFIDAVIT OF LESLIE ROSE					
STATE OF MISSOURI) COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS Ss.					
Leslie Rose, of lawful age, on her oath states: that she has participated in the preparation of the foregoing Direct Testimony in question and answer form, consisting of 3 pages to be presented in the above case; that the answers in the foregoing Direct Testimony were given by her; that she has knowledge of the matters set forth in such answers; and that such matters are true and correct to the best of her knowledge and belief.					
	Clodic Rose LESLIE ROSE				
Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of March 2013.					
LISA K. HANNEKEN Notary Public - Notary Seal State of Missouri Commissioned for Franklin County My Commission Expires: April 27, 2014 Commission Number: 10967138	Motary Public				