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Missouri Public  
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Secretary of the Commission  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
**Attn: Data Center**  
PO Box 360  
Jefferson City, MO 65102

RE: Requests for Increases in Annual Water System Operating Revenues  
MO PSC Small Utility Rate Case Procedure

Dear Secretary:

Stockton Hills Water Company holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by the Missouri Public Service Commission (the Commission), under which the Company provides water supply and distribution services in Cedar County, Missouri. The Commission first authorized the Company to provide regulated water utility service in June 1980. The Company currently provides service to approximately 355 water customers within its certificated area under the provisions of its Commission-approved tariffs. The Company's customer rates for water service are currently those established by the Commission in September 2010.

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-3.050, the Commission's rule pertaining to rate increase requests made by qualifying small utilities, the Company is hereby requesting an increase of \$45,236 in its annual water system operating revenues. The Company understands that the design of its customer rates, its service charges, its customer service practices, its general business practices and its general tariff provisions will also be reviewed during the Commission Staff's review of the rate increase requests, and may thus be the subject of Staff recommendations at the conclusion of the rate increase process.

The specific reasons for the requested increases in the Company's annual operating revenues for water service include: increases in utility plant investment to include drilling of a new well and applicable expenses therein; increases in operation and maintenance expenses to include additional insurance coverage, safety climbing cable installation, security fencing, and generator installation.

Furthermore, the Company requests a waiver of Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-4.020(2), requiring notice to be filed with the secretary of the Commission a minimum of sixty (60) days prior to filing a small company rate case because the Company needs to have new rates take effect as soon as possible and the Company cannot wait an additional sixty days to file.

Lastly, I wish to advise you that the Company is current on the payment of its Commission annual assessments and the filing of its Commission annual reports. Additionally, the Company will remain current on these items during this small company rate increase procedure.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. Please contact me at your convenience if you need additional information regarding this request.

Sincerely,

*Wanda Cassell*

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