BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Highway H Utilities, Inc.'s Small Sewer Company Rate Increase Request

File No. SR-2009-0392

In the Matter of the Highway H Utilities, Inc.'s Small Water Company Rate Increase Request

File No. WR-2009-0393

ORDER DIRECTING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM STAFF AND THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL

Issue Date: January 5, 2010

Effective Date: January 5, 2010

On December 23, 2009, the Commission issued an order approving the Stipulation and Agreement entered into between the Office of the Public Counsel and Highway H Utilities, Inc. The company then filed tariff sheets with an effective date of February 3, 2010. The company now requests that the Commission expedite approval of its tariff sheets with an order allowing them to go into effect on January 15. Toward that end, the Commission will direct the Staff of the Commission to file a pleading informing the Commission of whether the tariff sheets are in compliance with the Stipulation and Agreement.

Also, because the agreement was between Public Counsel and the company, the Commission will require Public Counsel to file a similar pleading.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Staff of the Commission shall file, no later than January 11, 2010, a recommendation as to whether the tariff sheets filed by Highway H Utilities, Inc. comply with the Stipulation and Agreement.

2. The Office of the Public Counsel shall file, no later than January 11, 2010, a pleading stating whether the tariff sheets filed by Highway H Utilities, Inc. comply with the Stipulation and Agreement.

3. This order shall become effective upon issuance.

BY THE COMMISSION

Steven C. Reed Secretary

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Kennard L. Jones, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 5th day of January, 2010.