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STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 27th day of August, 1997.

In the Matter of Gladlo Water and Sewer)	
Company, Inc. Tariff Designed to Increase)	
Rates for Sewer Service Provided to)	C
Customers in the Missouri Service Area)	
of the Company.)	

CASE NO. SR-97-564

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF

On January 27, 1997, Gladlo Water & Sewer Company (Company) requested an increase of annual sewer revenue by \$3,600 or 46% pursuant to the Missouri Public Service Commission's small company rate procedure. The Company serves approximately 63 sewer customers in the Whispering Pines Subdivision in Rolla, Missouri. The initial request would increase the monthly sewer rate from \$8.87 to \$12.95 per customer. The Company filed a consent to extend the 150-day period to reach an agreement and file tariff sheets pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.200(1)(G). The Company filed a concurrent request to increase water revenues in Case No. WR-97-563.

The Commission's Staff filed a memorandum to the official case file on August 22, 1997. Staff states the customers were notified in writing on February 10, 1997, of the Company's initial request for a rate increase. Staff did not receive any customer response from the notice.

After investigating the Company's books, records, and operations, Staff determined that a rate increase of 41% is justified. Staff's memo recommended this increase in order to provide for the cost of operating and maintaining the system. The Company agreed with the Staff's proposal and filed its tariff sheets on June 27, 1997, with an effective date of September 1, 1997. The tariff sheets, Revised Sheet Nos. 4 and 5,

Canceling Original Sheet Nos. 4 and 5, provide for a monthly service charge of \$12.48 for each customer.

The customers were notified in writing on June 15, of the proposed 41% rate increase. Staff did not receive any customer response from the notice. On August 19, 1997, the Office of the Public Counsel filed its consent to the proposed rate increase.

The Commission has reviewed the tariff and the Staff's memorandum. The Commission finds that the rates under the tariff filing are just and reasonable and that the tariff filing is in the public interest. The Commission finds the rate increase is necessary to cover the cost of operating and maintaining the system. Therefore, the Commission finds the tariff filing should be approved.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the following tariff sheets filed by Gladlo Water & Sewer Company, on June 27, 1997, are approved for service rendered on and after September 1, 1997:

P.S.C. MO. No. 2

1st Revised Sheet No. 4, Canceling Original Sheet No. 4. 1st Revised Sheet No. 5, Canceling Original Sheet No. 5.

That this order shall become effective on September 1,
1997.

BY THE COMMISSION

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Cecil I. Wright Executive Secretary

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Lumpe, Ch., Crumpton, Murray, and Drainer, CC., concur.

ALJ: George