

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Lake)	
Region Water & Sewer Company for an)	<u>Case No. WE-2013-0426</u>
Extension of Time Within Which to File)	
its 2012 Annual Report.)	

In the Matter of the Application of Lake)	
Region Water & Sewer Company for an)	<u>Case No. SE-2013-0427</u>
Extension of Time Within Which to File)	
its 2012 Annual Report.)	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, and submits to the Missouri Public Service Commission (the "Commission") its *Staff Recommendation* as follows:

1. On March 20, 2013, Lake Region Water & Sewer Company ("Company") filed a timely request for an extension of time, until July 31, 2013, to file its Annual Report regarding its water and sewer utility services.

2. In support of its request, the Company stated that auditors are at work in compiling the necessary information to complete the report, but are not expected to complete their work in time for the Company to meet the April 15, 2013 deadline.

3. On March 21, 2013, the Commission ordered the Staff to file its recommendation concerning the request for extension by no later than April 2, 2013.

4. Section 393.140 (6), RSMo 2000, requires that every corporation under the supervision of the Commission shall file an annual report. Additionally, 4 CSR 240-3.335 and 3.640, provide that sewer companies and water companies, respectively, must submit an annual report by April 15 of each year.

5. Commission Rules 4 CSR 240-3.335(7) and 4 CSR 240-3.640(7) provide that water and sewer utilities may request extensions of greater than thirty (30) days for submitting their annual reports by filing a pleading and by certifying that a copy of the pleading was sent to all parties of record in pending cases before the commission where the utilities' activities are the primary focus of the proceedings.

6. Upon reviewing the Company's requests, Staff has concluded that the Company has demonstrated good cause for the granting of an extension of the time to file its annual reports regarding water and sewer service and no party will be harmed if the extension is granted.

7. Staff notes that the Company's Application complies with the requirements of Rules 4 CSR 240-2.060, 4 CSR 240-3.335(7) and 4 CSR 240-3.640(7).

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits this *Staff Recommendation* and further requests an extension until July 31, 2013, for Lake Region Water & Sewer Company to file its Annual Report regarding its water and sewer utility service.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 2nd day of April, 2013.

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