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6	TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS		
7	Procedural Conference		
8	March 25, 2013		
9	Jefferson City, Missouri		
	Volume 1		
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12	In the Matter of Cedar)		
	Green Land Acquisition,)		
13	LLC for a Certificate of)		
	Convenience and Necessity)		
14	Authorizing it to Own,) File No. WA-2013-0117		
	Operate, Maintain, Control)		
15	And Manage Water Systems)		
	In Camden County, Missouri.)		
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17	Green Land Acquisition,)		
	LLC for a Certificate of)		
18	Convenience and Necessity) File No. SA-2013-0354		
	Authorizing it to Own,)		
19	Operate, Maintain, Control)		
	And Manage Sewer Systems)		
20	In Camden County, Missouri.)		
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22	DEPUTY CHIEF REGULATORY LAW JUDGE.		
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1	PROCEEDINGS	
2	(WHEREUPON, the procedural conference	
3	began at 1:34 p.m.)	
4	JUDGE STEARLEY: Good afternoon. It	
5	is Monday, March 25th, 2013, and the Commission has	
6	set this time for a procedural conference in two	
7	files, File No. WA-2013-0117, which is captioned as	
8	in the matter of Cedar Green Land Acquisition, LLC	
9	for certificate of convenience and necessity	
10	authorizing it to own, operate, maintain, control	
11	and manage water systems in Camden County,	
12	Missouri, and File No. SA-2013-0354, which is	
13	captioned as in the matter of Cedar Green Land	
14	Acquisition, LLC for certificate of convenience and	
15	necessity authorizing it to own, operate, maintain,	
16	control and manage sewer systems in Camden County,	
17	Missouri.	
18	My name is Harold Stearley, and I'm	
19	the presiding officer over today's conference.	
20	We'll begin by taking entries of appearance of	
21	counsel, starting with the Office of the Public	
22	Counsel.	
23	MS. BAKER: Thank you. Christina	
24	Baker, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri	
25	65102, appearing on behalf of the Office of the	

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1	Public Counsel and the customers.	
2	JUDGE STEARLEY: Thank you,	
3	Ms. Baker. For the Staff of the Missouri Public	
4	Service Commission.	
5	MS. McCLOWRY: Meghan McClowry and	
6	Kevin Thompson for the Staff of the Missouri Public	
7	Service Commission. Our business address is	
8	P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.	
9	JUDGE STEARLEY: All right. And we	
10	have Gary Myers on the phone with us. Mr. Myers, I	
11	know you have representation from a Robert Paulson,	
12	who's an attorney, but I'm not sure that he's	
13	called in yet. That is correct, isn't it?	
14	MR. MYERS: That is correct.	
15	JUDGE STEARLEY: All right. And he	
16	may join us before the on-the-record portion of	
17	this is over, but if not, I'm hoping he'll call in	
18	and be able to engage with the discussions the	
19	parties have after I leave.	
20	Are there any preliminary matters we	
21	need to take up?	
22	MS. McCLOWRY: No.	
23	JUDGE STEARLEY: If I'm understanding	
24	the posture of the current proceedings, we have	
25	applications for CCNs, we have a recommendation for	

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- 1 conditional approval from Staff, and we have an
- 2 objection by the Office of Public Counsel, which I
- 3 believe is two bases. There's question as to clear
- 4 ownership of the assets in question and a question
- 5 as to whether the ROE cost of service is
- 6 overstated.
- 7 MS. BAKER: That is correct.
- 8 JUDGE STEARLEY: Is that a fair
- 9 summary?
- MS. BAKER: Yes.
- 11 JUDGE STEARLEY: There's been
- 12 responses filed. Does that clear up anything or is
- 13 there still some dispute?
- MS. BAKER: Basically, the responses
- 15 just said that we were wrong but not a lot of
- 16 explanations.
- 17 JUDGE STEARLEY: You don't agree with
- 18 that?
- MS. BAKER: I don't quite agree that
- 20 I'm wrong. So I think we're still in the same
- 21 spot.
- JUDGE STEARLEY: All right.
- 23 Mr. Myers, just so you know, if this becomes what
- 24 we call a contested proceeding and actually goes to
- 25 an evidentiary hearing, you will definitely need to

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- 1 have counsel to represent the LLC. By Missouri
- 2 law, that's something you cannot do as an
- 3 individual.
- 4 MR. MEYER: I understand.
- 5 JUDGE STEARLEY: It will require an
- 6 attorney. So it's not necessary that your attorney
- 7 necessarily has to be here today, although that
- 8 would have been preferable, and he may still call
- 9 in, but if this does move further down the line,
- 10 you will need representation.
- 11 All right. I guess I've clarified
- 12 things really haven't changed any.
- MS. BAKER: Actually, we have been in
- 14 discussion, and there may be a settlement that
- 15 comes from this in the near future, but we are not
- 16 quite there yet.
- 17 JUDGE STEARLEY: All right. And I
- 18 may not be here at the time that that happens, so
- 19 I'm not sure which Regulatory Law Judge may be
- 20 assigned this matter. My guess right now is it
- 21 will be Judge Bushmann that you'll be speaking
- 22 with.
- MS. BAKER: We will keep him or
- 24 whoever is appointed to it informed.
- JUDGE STEARLEY: Okay.

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- 1 MR. MEYER: I don't know what -- I'm
- 2 sorry, your Honor. I don't know what the question
- 3 is. We sent the warranty deeds and everything
- 4 clearly showing Cedar Green Land Acquisition owns
- 5 the lots that the sewer and water treatment plant
- 6 is built on and the lot that the fresh water tower
- 7 and pump is built on.
- JUDGE STEARLEY: Okay. And I'm not
- 9 sure entirely of all the details of the dispute
- 10 here either, Mr. Myers, and I'm going to exit here
- 11 shortly because if you-all engage in any type of
- 12 settlement discussions, that's kept confidential
- 13 and I should not be in the room for that.
- MR. MEYER: Okay.
- JUDGE STEARLEY: I do appreciate you
- 16 bringing that up. As soon as I leave here, you can
- 17 continue on with these discussions and maybe you
- 18 can clarify some more details for counsel that's
- 19 present.
- I'll ask that Staff file a status
- 21 report next Monday, which would be April Fools Day.
- MR. THOMPSON: Will do, Judge.
- JUDGE STEARLEY: All right. You can
- 24 inform the Commission if you think a procedural
- 25 schedule is necessary, but at this point I'm not

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1	going to require one.	
2	All right. Well, this will conclude	
3	the on-the-record portion of this conference, and	
4	thank you all for being here. I'll leave you to	
5	your discussions.	
6	(WHEREUPON, the recorded portion of	
7	the procedural conference was concluded at	
8	1:40 p.m.)	
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4	COUNTY OF COLE)				
5	I, Kellene K. Feddersen, Certified				
6	Shorthand Reporter with the firm of Midwest				
7	Litigation Services, do hereby certify that I was				
8	personally present at the proceedings had in the				
9	above-entitled cause at the time and place set				
10	forth in the caption sheet thereof; that I then and				
11	there took down in Stenotype the proceedings had;				
12	and that the foregoing is a full, true and correct				
13	transcript of such Stenotype notes so made at such				
14	time and place.				
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