

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

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)	<u>Case No. WM-2011-0143</u>
Taney County Utilities Corporation and)	
Taney County Water, LLC for authority of)	
Taney County Utilities Corporation to sell)	
certain assets to Taney County Water, LLC)	

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE
A RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, and for its *Motion for Extension of Time to File a Recommendation* states as follows:

1. On November 18, 2010, the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") received a *Joint Application* of Taney County Utilities Corporation and Taney County Water, LLC for authority of Taney County Utilities Corporation to sell certain assets to Taney County Water, LLC ("Application").

2. On November 22, 2010, the Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation on the application no later than December 29, 2010.

3. On December 29, 2010, Staff was granted an additional forty-five (45) days in which to analyze the information provided to Staff by the companies involved in this *Application*.

4. In the meantime, Staff has sought additional information from the Applicants, has experienced difficulty in retrieving some of the necessary information and has some concerns regarding some of its findings that require further review.

5. Staff is requesting an additional twenty-one (21) days, until March 7, 2011, so that it can determine an accurate rate base and discuss other concerns with the companies in order to provide a meaningful recommendation to the Commission regarding the potential sale.

6. This request is not meant to unduly delay the proceedings and does not prejudice any party.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully submits this *Motion for Extension of Time to File a Recommendation* and requests the Commission grant Staff twenty-one (21) days, until March 7, 2011, in which to file with the Commission a Recommendation.

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 10th day of February, 2011.

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