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

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In the Matter of the 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.

Case No. WM-2011-0143

## <u>THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC COUNSEL'S RESPONSE TO</u> <u>STAFF'S SUPPLEMENTAL RECOMMENDATION</u>

COMES NOW the Office of the Public Counsel (Public Counsel) and for its Response to Staff's Supplemental Recommendation states as follows:

1. On November 18, 2010, Taney County Utilities Corporation (TCU) and Taney County Water, LLC (TCW) filed a Joint Application seeking authority from the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) to sell and transfer water utility assets owned and operated by TCU to TCW.

2. On March 4, 2011, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed its Recommendation in which Staff recommended that the Commission grant TCU the authority to sell and transfer its water utility assets to TCW and requested that the Commission incorporate the recommendations listed in Appendix A of Staff's Recommendation.

3. On March 14, 2011, the Public Counsel filed its Response indicating its opposition to Staff's Recommendation.

4. On June 16, 2011, Staff filed a Supplemental Recommendation which included additional recommendations. Staff requested that the Commission enter an Order adopting these recommendations in addition to those described in the previously filed Staff Recommendation.

5. Public Counsel has reviewed Staff's filing and now states that it has no opposition to Staff's Supplemental Recommendation.

WHEREFORE, Public Counsel respectfully submits its Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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