

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

In the Matter of the Application of Rex )  
Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a )  
RDE Water Company for Authority to )  
Sell Certain Water Assets to the City of )  
Nixa, Missouri, and in Connection )  
Therewith, Certain Other Related )  
Transactions )

**File No. WM-2022-0246**

**ORDER SETTING LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING**

Issue Date: June 14, 2022

Effective Date: June 14, 2022

On March 14, 2022, Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a RDE Water Company (RDE) filed an application for an order from the Commission authorizing the sale of its water system assets to the City of Nixa (Nixa).

On May 2, 2022, the Office of the Public Counsel made a motion for a local public hearing and requested that RDE be ordered to notify its customers of the hearing. The motion also requested that the hearing notice to RDE customers include the potential bill impacts, including a statement that, potentially, customers would have to consent to annexation by, or be annexed into, Nixa to avoid paying the Nixa outside of the city limits rate(s). RDE responded on May 11, 2022, stating that it did not object to the motion.

Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.110(1) requires the Commission to set the time and place for hearings and serve notice as required by law. Section 536.067(4), RSMo 2016, requires at least ten days' notice be given prior to a hearing. In complying with its statutory mandate, the Commission will set the date for a local public hearing for July 26, 2022.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. A local public hearing shall be held on **July 26, 2022**, beginning at **6:00 p.m.** at: **Nixa City Hall**, Council Chambers, 715 Mount Vernon Street, Nixa, Missouri.
2. At least ten days prior to the hearing date, RDE shall notify its customers of the hearing. The hearing notice shall include the potential bill impacts, including a statement that, potentially, customers would have to consent to annexation by, or be annexed into, Nixa to avoid paying the Nixa outside of the city limits rate(s).
3. The Commission's Public Policy and Outreach Department shall make an informal presentation and conduct a question-and-answer session for the public at the beginning of the local public hearing. Comments to the Commission from the public will begin at the conclusion of the question-and-answer session.
4. RDE, the Staff of the Commission, and the Office of the Public Counsel shall each make a representative available to address substantive issues during the question-and-answer sessions at the beginning of the local public hearing. Those parties shall also make a short statement at the beginning of the question-and-answer session outlining their current assessment of the case.
5. Customers wishing to make written comments or secure additional information may contact the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, telephone (573) 751-4857. Comments may also be registered in this case using the Electronic Information Filing System (EFIS) at [psc.mo.gov](http://psc.mo.gov). Use the link to the Public Comment section and fill in all required fields on the comment page.

6. The local public hearing will be held in a facility that meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs additional accommodation to participate in the hearing should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.

7. The Data Center of the Commission shall serve a copy of this order upon the County Commission of Christian County, Missouri.

8. The Public Information Office of the Commission shall make notice of this order available to members of the General Assembly representing Christian County, Missouri, and to the news media serving the residents of Christian County, Missouri.

9. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris Woodruff  
Secretary

Kenneth J. Seyer, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant to  
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022.

**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

**WITNESS** my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission,  
at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022.



  
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**Morris L. Woodruff**  
**Secretary**

**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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**Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).**

**Sincerely,**



**Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary**

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