

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

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)
AquaSource/RU Incorporated d/b/a)
Aqua Missouri, Inc. and LTA Water)
Company for Authority for)
AquaSource/RU Incorporated d/b/a)
Aqua Missouri, Inc., to Acquire Certain)
Assets of LTA Water Company)

Case No. WM-2005-0058

STAFF RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL OF TARIFF SHEETS

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), by and through one of its attorneys, and for its *Recommendation for Approval of Tariff Sheets* states the following:

1. On January 4, 2005, the Commission issued its Order Approving Acquisition (Order) in this case, in which it granted AquaSource/RU Incorporated d/b/a Aqua Missouri, Inc. (Aqua) a certificate of convenience and necessity and authority to acquire water utility assets owned and operated by LTA Water Company (LTA). As a part of its Order, the Commission authorized and directed Aqua to file tariff sheets consistent with the Order that reflect the addition of the subject service area.

2. On February 25, 2005, Aqua notified the Commission that the asset acquisition authorized by the Order has been completed.

3. On February 28, 2005, Aqua submitted tariff sheets intended to comply with the above-referenced Commission Order, and the filing was assigned number YW-2005-0667 by the Commission's electronic filing system. The subject tariff sheets bear an issue date of February 28, 2005, and an effective date of March 30, 2005.

4. The Staff has reviewed Aqua's YW-2005-0667 tariff filing, and states to the Commission that it believes the subject tariff sheets are in compliance with the above-referenced Commission Order. Jim Merciel of the Commission's Water & Sewer Department performed the review of the subject tariff sheets on behalf of the Staff.

5. Based upon the above, the Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order approving the following tariff sheets to become effective on March 30, 2005:

P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, 7th Revised Sheet No. W 2

P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, Original Sheet No. WM 7

P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, Original Sheet No. WL 15

P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, Original Sheet No. WR 8

P.S.C. Mo. No. 2, Original Sheet No. WSC 7

6. Upon approval of this tariff filing, LTA's tariff and certificate may be canceled.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order approving the above-referenced tariff sheets, consistent with the Staff's recommendations presented herein.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed with first class postage, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or transmitted via electronic mail to all counsel of record this 16th day of March 2005.

/s/ Cliff Snodgrass

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