

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Middlefork)
Water Company and Nodaway County Public)
Water Supply District Number One for an Order)
Authorizing the Sale, Transfer and Assignment) **File No. WM-2021-0003**
of Certain Water Production Assets to Nodaway)
County Public Water Supply District Number)
One and in Connection therewith Certain Other)
Related Transactions)

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE AND FILING

Issue Date: August 5, 2020

Effective Date: August 5, 2020

On July 2, 2020, Middlefork Water Company (Middlefork) and Nodaway County Public Water Supply District Number One (the District) filed an application for an order authorizing the sale, transfer and assignment of certain water production assets to the District.

The application states that the District services approximately 2,700 customers and serves as the permanent water supplier to all of Nodaway County and parts of Gentry and Worth Counties, including several smaller towns on a wholesale basis. It states that Middlefork provides wholesale water services to its only two customers, the City of Stanberry, Missouri, and Grant City, Missouri. Middlefork does not provide any individual water services directly to individual citizens. The application seeks leave for Middlefork to sell, transfer and assign to the District all of Middlefork's water production facilities.

Section 393.190.1, RSMo 2016, requires that transactions as described in the application be approved by the Commission. It requires the Commission to send notice "to the county clerk of each county in which any portion of a political subdivision which will be affected by such disposition is located." Since the application states that the water

production facilities and/or customers affected are located in Nodaway, Worth and Gentry Counties, the Commission will direct its Data Center to send a copy of this order to the county clerk and county commission of those counties. The Commission will also establish deadlines for persons wishing to intervene and a preliminary response from its Staff.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Data Center shall send a copy of this order to the county clerk and county commission of Nodaway, Worth and Gentry Counties.
2. The Commission's Public Information Officer shall make notice of this order available to the members of the General Assembly representing Nodaway, Worth, and Gentry Counties, and to the media serving those counties.
3. Any interested person wishing to intervene in this case shall file an application to intervene no later than September 4, 2020.
4. No later than September 4, 2020, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file a pleading stating when it anticipates filing its recommendation in this matter.
5. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Paul T. Graham, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 5th day of August, 2020.