

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of The Meadows )  
Water Company, North Suburban Public Utility )  
Company and the City of Willard, Missouri, for )  
an Order Authorizing the Sale, Transfer and ) **Case No. WO-2007-0424**  
Assignment of Water and Sewer Assets to the )  
City of Willard and in Connection Therewith )  
Certain Other Related Transactions. )

### **ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE**

Issue Date: July 16, 2007

Effective Date: July 16, 2007

On May 1, 2007, The Meadows Water Company, North Suburban Public Utility Company and the City of Willard, Missouri filed an application with the Commission requesting authority for The Meadows to sell its water and sewer assets, and for North Suburban to sell its related real estate, to the City of Willard, Missouri. The Meadows is a water and sewer company subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission.

On May 23, the City of Springfield applied to intervene. The Commission granted Springfield's application on July 3.

The Commission finds that a prehearing conference is now appropriate. The parties or their representatives shall appear in person, or by telephone, at the conference. They should be prepared to discuss the nature of any discovery each will conduct, the time necessary to complete discovery, and to prepare for hearing. The parties should also be prepared to name the witnesses each expects to call at hearing; the number and nature of any exhibits each expects to offer at hearing; and the anticipated length of the hearing. Also, the parties should be prepared to discuss the stipulation of facts not at issue. The parties will also be encouraged to discuss settlement.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. A prehearing conference shall be held on July 31, 2007, beginning at 10:00 a.m., in Room 305 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. This meeting will be held in a building that meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the conference.
2. Any party wishing to appear by telephone shall notify the Regulatory Law Judge by calling 573-751-7497, no later than 5:00 p.m., July 25, 2007.
3. The parties shall jointly prepare and file a proposed procedural schedule no later than August 7, 2007.
4. This order shall become effective on July 16, 2007.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



Colleen M. Dale  
Secretary

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Ronald D. Pridgin, Senior Regulatory Law  
Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant  
to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2007.