OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

| Office of the Public Counsel, |) |
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| Complainant, |) |
| V. | Case No. WC-2007-0038 |
| Central Jefferson County Utilities, Inc., |))) |
| Respondent. |)) |

ORDER SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE AND REQUIRING FILING OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: September 1, 2006 Effective Date: September 1, 2006

On July 26, 2006, the Office of the Public Counsel filed a "overearnings" complaint against Central Jefferson County Utilities, Inc.¹ Central Jefferson answered on August 30, denying OPC's allegations.

This matter is now at issue and a prehearing conference and procedural schedule are appropriate to ensure its prompt resolution. At the prehearing conference, the parties or their representatives should be prepared to discuss the nature of any discovery each will conduct and the interval necessary for its completion; the number of 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. The parties or their representatives should also be prepared to discuss the current status of any settlement negotiations. It is

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¹ By separate order, the Commission consolidated a similar complaint that OPC had against Central Jefferson's sewer operations into this case.

expected that the prehearing conference will provide an opportunity for the parties to further pursue settlement discussions.

The parties shall jointly file a proposed procedural schedule as directed below. The proposed procedural schedule shall establish dates for the filing of a list of the issues to be determined by the Commission and statements by the parties of their position on each such issue. The proposed procedural schedule shall also include a date for the filing of a list of the witnesses to be called on each day of hearing, the order in which they shall appear and the order of cross-examination agreed upon by the parties. The proposed procedural schedule shall also propose dates for the hearing of this matter.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. A prehearing conference shall be held on September 18, 2006, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The prehearing conference shall be held at the Commission's offices at the Governor Office Building, Room 305, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. The Governor Office Building is a facility that meets the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Any person who needs additional accommodations to participate in the prehearing conference should call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the prehearing conference.
- 2. The parties shall jointly prepare and file a proposed procedural schedule no later than September 25, 2006.

3. That this order shall become effective on September 1, 2006.

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 1st day of September, 2006.