

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

The Staff of the
Missouri Public Service Commission,

Complainant,

v.

Missouri Utilities Company,

Respondent.

Case No. WC-2006-0029

PROGRESS REPORT

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), by and through Counsel, and states the following to the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission).

1. On August 30, 2005, the Commission issued an Order Directing Staff To File A Progress Report, wherein it ordered the Staff to file a progress report detailing its efforts to identify a potential interim receiver for Missouri Utilities Company (MU), with that report to be filed no later than September 6, 2005.

2. As required by the Commission's August 30, 2005, Order, the Staff filed a Progress Report detailing its efforts to identify a potential interim receiver for Missouri Utilities Company (MU) on September 6, 2005. As a part of that report, the Staff committed to file either a weekly progress report regarding the identification of a potential interim receiver for MU, or a notice advising the Commission that it has no new information to report, with such filings to be made on Tuesday of each week until this matter is resolved.

3. Consistent with the commitment made in its September 6, 2005, Progress Report, the Staff filed a Notice Regarding Progress Report on September 13, 2005.

4. Regarding the identification of a potential receiver for MU, the Staff provides the following additional/updated information. On September 20, 2005, a representative of Missouri-American Water Company (MAWC) advised Dale Johansen of the Commission's Water & Sewer Department that MAWC has determined that it will not act as a receiver for MU, but that it would act as a temporary operator if requested to do so and that it is considering the purchase of MU's utility assets.

5. As a result of MAWC's response regarding the matter of acting as a receiver for MU, the Staff is continuing its efforts in identifying a receiver for MU with those efforts now being focused on the contract operator from the Lake of the Ozarks and the local attorney identified in the Staff's September 6, 2005, Progress Report.

6. The Staff again notes that it will continue to file weekly status reports, or will advise the Commission that additional information is not available and that a status report will thus not be filed for a given week.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully submits its second Progress Report for the Commission's information.

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 e-mail to all counsel and/or parties of record this 20th day of September 2005.

/s/ Mary E. Weston