## **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Release of Staff's Audit Report Regarding Environmental Utilities, L.L.C., and Osage Water Company

Case No. WO-2006-0361

## ORDER ESTABLISHING PROTECTIVE ORDER

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Issue Date: March 20, 2006

Effective Date: March 20, 2006

On March 17, 2006, the Staff of the Commission filed a Motion to Open Docket and Require Environmental Utilities, L.L.C., to Show Cause Why Staff's Audit Report Should Not be Made Public. Along with that motion, Staff filed a Motion for Protective Order.

Staff explains that Environmental Utilities objects to the public release of the Staff's audit report. Staff has not yet filed the disputed audit report in this case because to do so without a protective order in place would result in the report being made public before the Commission has an opportunity to decide whether the report should be released to the public. For that reason, Staff requests that the Commission issue its standard protective order to protect the audit report from premature public disclosure.

After reviewing Staff's motion, the Commission finds that there is a need to protect confidential information and that the request for a protective order is reasonable.

## IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The protective order attached to this order (Attachment A) is adopted.

2. This order shall become effective on March 20, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION



Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Morris L. Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 20th day of March, 2006.