

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

In the Matter of the Petition for an Interim )  
Receiver and for an Order Directing the )  
General Counsel to Petition the Circuit )  
Court for the Appointment of a Receiver )  
For Ridge Creek Water Company, LLC, )  
And for Ridge Creek Development, L.L.C. )

**File No. WO-2017-0236**

**ORDER SCHEDULING AN EVIDENTIARY HEARING**

Issue Date: April 19, 2017

Effective Date: April 19, 2017

On March 14, 2017, the Staff of the Commission filed a Petition with the Missouri Public Service Commission asking the Commission direct its General Counsel to petition the Circuit Court of Cole County to appoint a receiver for Ridge Creek Water Company, LLC, and Ridge Creek Development, L.L.C. Staff also asks the Commission to appoint an interim receiver for those companies. On April 14, the owners of Ridge Creek Water and Ridge Creek Development filed their consent to the appointment of a receiver for both companies.

At a procedural conference held on April 19, legal counsel for Staff explained that Staff believes the owners of Ridge Creek Water and Ridge Creek Development may intend to essentially abandon the water system. Counsel also indicated that, at least at this time, the water system is operating and continues to provide service to its customers.

The Commission is concerned about this situation and will schedule an expedited hearing regarding Staff's petition. At the hearing, Staff will need to present sufficient evidence to establish that the requirements for appointment of a receiver found in

Section 393.145.1, RSMo 2016 have been satisfied. As part of those requirements, Staff will need to establish that Ridge Creek Development meets the definition of a water corporation.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. An evidentiary hearing is scheduled for May 2, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., at the Commission's office in the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri, Room 310. This building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in this conference, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the conference.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2017.

**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.**

**WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017.**



  
**Morris L. Woodruff**  
**Secretary**

**MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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**Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).**

**Sincerely,**



**Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary**

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