OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Small Company Rate Increase)
Request of Middle Fork Water Company)

Case No. WR-2006-0212

) Tariff File No. YW-2006-0383

ORDER DIRECTING FILING AND ADDING A PARTY

Issue Date: November 23, 2005

Effective Date: November 23, 2005

On November 17, 2005, Middle Fork Water Company filed a proposed tariff that will result in increased water service rates. The tariff carries an effective date of December 17, 2005. Along with the tariff, Middle Fork Water Company filed a letter indicating that it has reached an agreement in this matter with the Commission's Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel. On November 23, 2005, Staff filed the Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Water Company Rate Increase Request. The Commission

will direct Staff to file its recommendation and memorandum in this matter.

The Commission has also determined that it would like additional information from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Specifically, the Commission will direct DNR to file a pleading indicating whether Middle Fork Water Company is in compliance with DNR's requirements. If the company is not in compliance with DNR's requirements, DNR shall outline what steps the company has taken to come into compliance. The Commission will also add DNR as a party in this case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is added as a party to this case.

2. That no later than December 2, 2005, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is directed to file a pleading as directed above.

3. That the Commission's Data Center is directed to serve a copy of this order on the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, and to add that agency to the service list.

4. That the Commission's Staff shall file its recommendation and memorandum no later than 12:00 p.m. on December 5, 2005.

5. That Staff shall provide a copy of its recommendation and memorandum to all parties by electronic mail, fax, or overnight mail.

6. That responses to Staff's recommendation and memorandum may be filed no later than December 7, 2005.

7. That this order shall become effective on November 23, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Vicky Ruth, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 23rd day of November, 2005.