

**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

**STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION
FOR APPOINTMENT OF AN INTERIM RECEIVER**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and, for its Recommendation for Appointment of an Interim Receiver, states to the Missouri Public Service Commission as follows:

1. On August 8, 2005, the Commission issued its Order Directing Staff to Identify an Interim Receiver, in which it directed the Staff to identify the person that it recommends for appointment as interim receiver for Missouri Utilities Company, and to identify the county in which Staff wishes to file an action for appointment of a receiver for Missouri Utilities Company.

2. The Staff filed its response to that order on August 10, 2005, stating that it recommended that any court proceeding for the appointment of a permanent receiver be initiated in the Cole County Circuit Court. The Staff also stated that it had not yet determined whom it would recommend for appointment as the interim receiver, because no one had yet agreed to so serve.

3. On August 30, 2005, the Commission ordered the Staff to file a progress report describing its progress in identifying an interim receiver. The Staff filed a report on September 6, 2005, and has filed weekly reports since then regarding its efforts to identify an interim receiver.

4. The Staff has now determined that Robert K. Meyer is qualified, and willing, to serve as interim receiver for Missouri Utilities Company, and recommends that the Commission appoint him to so serve. Mr. Meyer is the owner of the Show Me Real Estate Agency, 800 Winchester Drive, Sedalia, MO 65301. His office telephone number is (660) 826-3663 and his fax number is (660) 826-3664. Mr. Meyer is a responsible person knowledgeable in the operation of utilities, and he therefore meets the statutory requirements for a receiver. If he is appointed as interim receiver, Mr. Meyer plans to contract with David Arl to operate the water and sewer facilities of Missouri Utilities Company. Mr. Arl is a licensed operator who successfully operates other water and wastewater facilities in the Sedalia area.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission appoint Robert K. Meyer as interim receiver for Missouri Utilities.

Respectfully submitted,

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