

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Raytown Water Company's)
Request for Annual Operating Revenue) **File No. WR-2020-0264**
Increase)

ORDER ON LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE

Issue Date: March 17, 2020

Effective Date: March 17, 2020

On March 2, 2020, Raytown Water Company filed a letter requesting an increase in its annual overall operating revenues in a staff assisted rate case. Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-10.075(6) requires a local public hearing to be scheduled in this case no later than May 1, 2020.

On March 16, 2020, Staff filed a joint proposal, on behalf of Raytown Water and the Office of the Public Counsel, requesting the Commission waive the 60-day requirement. The parties seek a waiver because of recently imposed restrictions and recommendations for public gatherings in Jackson County, Missouri, in response to the COVID-19 virus.

The Commission will grant the request. The requirements for staff assisted rate cases may be waived by the Commission for good cause. 20 CSR 4240-10.075(15). The Commission finds good cause exists to waive the 60-day requirement for a hearing in this case because of the limitations imposed on public gatherings in response to COVID-19.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The requirement to schedule a local public hearing within the 60-day period required by rule is waived.
2. No later than May 15, 2020, the parties in this case shall file a status report

advising the Commission about potential dates and venues for scheduling a local public hearing on or after June 1, 2020. If the parties do not recommend an in-person local public hearing format at that time, the status report shall propose alternative methods to inform customers and the public and gather public comment.

3. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Jana C. Jacobs, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo (2016).

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 17th day of March, 2020.