## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of S. K. & M. Water and Sewer	)	Case No. WR-2007-0460
Company's Rate Increase Request	)	Tariff No. YW-2007-0864
In the Matter of S. K. & M. Water and Sewer	)	Case No. SR-2007-0461
Company's Rate Increase Request	)	Tariff No. YS-2007-0865

## ORDER GRANTING JOINT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE POSITION STATEMENTS AND FINAL STATUS REPORT

Issue Date: August 2, 2007 Effective Date: August 2, 2007

On July 3, 2007, the Commission issued its Order Suspending Tariff, Establishing Procedural Schedule and Setting Evidentiary Hearing, in which it ordered each party to file a statement of its position on each disputed issue no later than August 2, 2007. In the same order, the Commission also directed the parties to file status reports to advise the Commission of any progress towards reaching unanimous disposition agreements in the matters that are at issue in this case; the last such status report is due to be filed by no later than August 7, 2007.

The parties jointly plead that they have reached agreement on several of the issues that were identified on the List of Issues that they filed on July 26, 2007. The parties further state that there is a high probability that they will be able reach agreement on the few issues that have not yet been resolved, but the parties will need to conduct additional negotiations to reach such an agreement. If these negotiations do not result in complete agreement, the parties do not want to delay the evidentiary hearing. But because they believe that settlement may be reached, and because of the press of other business, the

parties unanimously request that the deadlines for filing both the Statements of Positions and the Final Status Report be extended to August 9, 2007, five days before the scheduled hearing.

The Commission finds the parties' request to be reasonable, and will grant it. In the event that unanimous disposition agreements are reached in this matter, the hearing will be canceled. If not, the evidentiary hearing will proceed as scheduled on August 14, 2007.

## IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. No later than August 9, 2007, the parties shall file their position statements with regard to any issues identified in the issues list adopted by the Commission on July 30, 2007, that still remain in dispute.
- 2. No later than August 9, 2007, the parties shall jointly file a Final Status Report advising the Commission of any progress towards reaching unanimous disposition agreements in these matters. The final status report will advise the Commission whether the parties have reached agreements or if they will be proceeding to hearing.
  - 3. This order shall become effective on August 2, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Harold Stearley, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 2nd day of August, 2007.