OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Tri-State Utility, Inc.,)
for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity)
Authorizing It to Enlarge and Extend Its Service Area) Case No. WA-2006-0241
and to Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Control,)
Manage, and Maintain a Water System for the Public)
Located in an Unincorporated Area in Taney County,)
Missouri)

ORDER DIRECTING THE STAFF OF THE COMMISSION TO FILE A STATUS REPORT

Issue Date: April 11, 2006 Effective Date: April 11, 2006

On March 14, 2006, the Staff of the Commission filed a pleading in response to the Commission's inquiries regarding Tri-States' cross connection control program. In that pleading, the Staff indicated that it would file additional information following a March 16, 2006 meeting with the Company and DNR. The Staff will be directed to file a status report advising the Commission of the progress in the implementation, and approval by DNR, of the program.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The Staff of the Commission shall file a status report advising of the status of this case on or before April 18, 2006.

2. This order shall become effective on April 11, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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Steven C. Reed, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 11th day of April, 2006.