

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of Hickory Hills Water &)	
Sewer Co.'s Request for a Small)	Case No. WR-2006-0250, consol.
Company Rate Increase)	

**STAFF NOTICE AND RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COUNSEL'S REQUEST FOR
IMMEDIATE ORDER AND MOTION FOR EXPEDITED TREATMENT**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) and for its *Notice And Response to Public Counsel's Request For Immediate Order And Motion For Expedited Treatment*, states as follows:

1. On July 13, 2006, the Office of Public Counsel filed its *Request For Immediate Order And Motion For Expedited Treatment (Request)* in the above-captioned case. In its Request, Public Counsel asks that the Commission A) immediately order Hickory Hills to continue chlorination; B) immediately order Hickory Hills to immediately provide notice to its customers that it has not and will not discontinue chlorination; and C) offer the opportunity for hearing as soon as practicable after the issuance of such order.

2. Staff believe's that Public Counsel's *Request* is unnecessary for the following reasons:

A) Mr. Randy Clifford of Hickory Hills Water & Sewer Company has informed James M. Russo of the Commission's Water & Sewer Department that he is presently chlorinating the water system and intends to continue chlorination of the system. (See

attached Affidavit of James M. Russo attached hereto as Appendix A and incorporated by reference herein.)

B) The Staff intends to mail notice to the customers of Hickory Hills Water & Sewer Company informing customers that Mr. Clifford has not stopped chlorinating the system and will continue chlorination of the system. The Staff intends to mail this notice not later than July 21, 2006.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, the Staff respectfully requests that the Commission dismiss Public Counsel's Request.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to all counsel of record this 13th day of July 2006.

/s/ Robert S. Berlin

AFFIDAVIT OF JAMES M. RUSSO

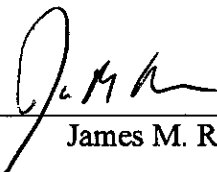
STATE OF MISSOURI)

) ss

Case No. WR-2006-0250, et al.

COUNTY OF COLE)

James M. Russo, of lawful age, on my oath states: (1) that I am the Rate and Tariff Supervisor of the Water & Sewer Department of the Missouri Public Service Commission; (2) that Mr. Randy Clifford of Hickory Hills Water & Sewer Company, Inc. (Company) has informed me that he is presently chlorinating the water system of the Company and plans to continue the chlorination of the system; and (3) that I have knowledge of the matters set forth above, and that they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.



James M. Russo



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of July 2006.


Notary Public

My Commission Expires: September 11, 2006

