

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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

ORDER ADOPTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: March 7, 2006

Effective Date: March 7, 2006

On March 3, 2006, the Staff of the Commission filed a proposed procedural schedule that was agreed upon by the parties. The Commission finds that the procedural schedule proposed by the parties is reasonable and it will be adopted. The Commission finds that the following conditions should be applied:

(A) The Commission will require that testimony be prefiled as defined in Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.130. All parties must comply with this rule, including the requirement that testimony be filed on line-numbered pages. The practice of prefiling testimony is designed to give parties notice of the claims, contentions, and evidence in issue and to avoid unnecessary objections and delays caused by allegations of unfair surprise at the hearing.

(B) Pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.130(15), testimony and schedules may not be filed under seal and treated as proprietary or highly confidential unless the Commission has first established a protective order. Any testimony or schedule filed without a protective order first being established will be considered public information.

(C) The parties shall agree upon and the Staff shall file a list of the issues to be heard if the parties do not reach agreement, the witnesses to appear on each day of the hearing and the order in which they will be called, and the order of cross-examination for each witness. Any issue not contained in this list of issues will be viewed as uncontested and not requiring resolution by the Commission.

(D) All parties are required to bring an adequate number of copies of exhibits that they intend to offer into evidence at any hearing. If an exhibit has not been prefiled, the party offering it should bring, in addition to the copy for the court reporter, copies for the five Commissioners, the Presiding Judge, and all counsel.

(E) Any stipulation and agreement must be presented in written form, executed by the parties, at or before the date set for hearing. If a stipulation is not so presented, the case will proceed to hearing at the time and date appointed herein.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The following procedural schedule is established:

Direct Testimony	- March 28, 2006
Rebuttal Testimony	- April 5, 2006
List of Issues	- April 10, 2006
Statement of Position, List of Witnesses and Order Witnesses	- April 10, 2006
Hearing	- April 19, 2006, at 8:30 a.m.

2. The hearing set for the above will be held in Room 310 in the offices of the Missouri Public Service Commission, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. This hearing will be held in a building that meets accessibility standards required by the

Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in this hearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the hearing.

3. This order shall become effective on March 7, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 7th day of March, 2006.