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

n the Matter of Missouri Utilities Company Small Company Rate Increase	)	File No. WR-2009-0150
In the Matter of Missouri Utilities Company Small Company Rate Increase	)	File No. SR-2009-0153

## ORDER ABROGATING PLEADING REQUIREMENT

Issue Date: June 16, 2009 Effective Date: June 16, 2009

The Commission held a local public hearing for these matters on June 15, 2009. No interested members of the public or customers of Missouri Utilities Company appeared. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050(19) states:

If a local public hearing is held, the staff shall file a pleading no later than five (5) working days after the hearing indicating whether any material information not previously available was provided at the local public hearing and stating whether that information might result in changes to the utility/staff disposition agreement. No later than ten (10) working days after the local public hearing, the public counsel shall file a pleading stating its position regarding the utility/staff agreement and the related tariff revisions, or requesting that the commission hold an evidentiary hearing, and providing the reasons for its position or request.

Because no information was provided at the local public hearing, the Commission's Staff shall be excused from the requirement to file the pleading defined in section 19 of the Rule.

## THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The requirement that the Commission's Staff file a pleading as required by Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050(19) is abrogated.

2. This order shall become effective immediately upon issue.

BY THE COMMISSION

(SEAL)

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

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

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 16th day of June, 2009.