

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office in  
Jefferson City on the 28th day of  
November, 2006.

In the Matter of the Small Company Rate	)	<b><u>Case No. WR-2007-0181</u></b>
Increase for Moore Bend Water Company	)	Tariff No. YW-2007-0324

**ORDER APPROVING AGREEMENT REGARDING  
DISPOSITION OF SMALL COMPANY RATE  
INCREASE REQUEST AND APPROVING TARIFF**

Issue Date: November 28, 2006

Effective Date: December 7, 2006

**Syllabus:** This order approves the agreement between the Moore Bend Water Company ("Moore Bend"), the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and the Office of the Public Counsel. Further, it approves Moore Bend's tariff. The tariff will implement a rate increase for the company, and bears an effective date of December 7, 2006.

On May 25, 2006, Moore Bend initiated a small company rate increase under Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.635. Moore Bend provides water service to approximately 96 customers in Taney County, Missouri.

On November 7, 2006, after working with the Commission's Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel, Moore Bend filed a tariff designed to increase its rate for water service. Moore Bend had originally requested a rate increase intended to generate an additional \$9,000 in water service operating revenues, but after working with Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel, Moore Bend filed revised tariff sheets containing customer

rates intended to produce an increase of \$6,673 in the company's annual water system operating revenues. Moore Bend also filed a letter requesting that the Commission approve its revised tariff sheets for an increase in its water service rates.

On November 13, Staff filed the *Unanimous Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Company Rate Increase Request*, and on November 17, Staff filed its recommendation that the Commission approve the tariff, the disposition agreement, and the depreciation rates attached to the agreement. Based upon its audit of Moore Bend's books and records, an evaluation of its depreciation rates, and an analysis of its capital structure and cost of capital, Staff concluded that Moore Bend could justify an increase of \$6,673 in its annual water service operating revenues.

The Commission has the authority to approve Moore Bend's proposed tariff revision pursuant to Sections 393.140(11) and 393.150.<sup>1</sup> Section 393.130.1 provides that all charges made by any water corporation for service rendered or to be rendered shall be "just and reasonable and not more than allowed by law or by order or decision of the commission." The Commission finds the agreement between Moore Bend, Staff and Public Counsel, to be just and reasonable, and shall approve the agreement. Also, the Commission finds the tariff sheets to be just and reasonable, and shall approve them. Furthermore, the Commission finds the depreciation rates proposed by Staff to be just and reasonable and shall approve them.

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<sup>1</sup> All statutory citations refer to RSMo 2000 unless otherwise noted.

**IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Unanimous Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Company Rate Increase Request is approved and the parties are directed to comply with the terms of the agreement.

2. The following tariff sheets filed by Moore Bend Water Company, and assigned Tariff File No. YW-2007-0181, are approved for service on or after December 7, 2006:

**P.S.C. MO No. 2**

4th Revised Sheet No. 4, Canceling 3rd Revised Sheet No. 4  
2nd Revised Sheet No. 4.1, Canceling 1st Revised Sheet No. 4.1

3. The Depreciation Schedule in Attachment F to the Unanimous Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Company Rate Increase Request is approved as the schedule of depreciation rates authorized for Moore Bend Water Company's use.

4. This order shall become effective on December 7, 2006.

5. This case may be closed on December 8, 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

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Davis, Chm., Murray, Gaw, Clayton and Appling, CC., concur

Stearley, Regulatory Law Judge