

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Release of Staff's Audit Report)
Regarding Environmental Utilities, L.L.C., and)
Osage Water Company)
Case No. WO-2006-0361

ORDER DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE AUDIT REPORT

Issue Date: April 4, 2006

Effective Date: April 4, 2006

On March 17, 2006, the Staff of the Commission filed a Motion to Open Docket and Require Environmental Utilities, L.L.C., to Show Cause Why Staff's Audit Report Should Not be Made Public. Staff explained that it has conducted an audit regarding the operation of Environmental Utilities and Osage Water Company. Staff would like to release its audit report to the public, but Environmental Utilities objects to the public release of the report. At the direction of the Commission, Environmental Utilities filed a response to Staff's motion on April 3, explaining its objections to the release of the audit report.

Along with its motion asking leave to publicly release the audit report, Staff filed a motion asking for the issuance of a protective order to allow the audit report to be filed in this case under seal, thus protecting the report from premature public disclosure. The Commission issued the requested protective order on March 20, but Staff has not yet filed the audit report.

The Commission is unable to further consider Staff's request to publicly release the audit report until it has an opportunity to review that report. Therefore, Staff will be directed to promptly file the report.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Staff shall file the report of its limited audit of Environmental Utilities, L.L.C. and Osage Water Company no later than April 7, 2006.
2. Staff shall file its report as Highly Confidential, pursuant to the Protective Order established for this case.
3. This order shall become effective on April 4, 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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Morris L. Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 4th day of April, 2006.