

1 STATE OF MISSOURI  
2 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
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4 TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS  
5 LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING  
6 JUNE 28, 2011  
7 NOEL, MISSOURI  
8 VOLUME 1 AT PAGE 1  
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10 In The Matter Of The Joint Application of )  
11 Algonquin Water Resources of Missouri, LLC ) File No. WO-2011-0328  
12 d/b/a Liberty Water for Authority for Liberty)  
13 Water to Acquire Certain Water Assets of Noel)  
14 Water Co., Inc., and in Connection Therewith,) )  
15 Certain Other Related Transactions. )  
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18 RONALD D. PRIDGIN, Presiding  
19 SENIOR REGULATORY LAW JUDGE  
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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 June 28, 2011 6:35 p.m.

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4 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Okay. On the record. Good  
5 evening. This is the local public hearing in case number  
6 WO-2011-0328. I am Ron Pridgin, I'm a Regulatory Law  
7 Judge assigned to this file.

8 The Missouri Public Service Commission  
9 regulates the rates charged by investor owned utility  
10 companies in Missouri to make sure those rates are just  
11 and reasonable. The Commission also regulates the quality  
12 of service and safety of the operations of any investor  
13 owned utilities.

14 The Commission is made up of five  
15 commissioners. They're appointed by the governor to fixed  
16 terms and confirmed by the Senate. The commissioners  
17 employ a staff of engineers, accountants, lawyers,  
18 financial analysts and other specialist in the field of  
19 utility regulation.

20 This is an official hearing of the  
21 Commission and the statements and testimony of witnesses  
22 will be recorded by the court reporter and must be given  
23 under oath. All the commissioners will have a chance to  
24 read all of the witnesses remarks.

25 I will call the name of each witness that

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1 has signed up to speak. When your name is called, please  
2 spell your name for the court reporter, so she can get it  
3 in the record correctly. I'll ask you a few preliminary  
4 questions and you may then make your statement.

5 If there is someone who wishes to testify,  
6 but for religious reasons, does not wish to take an oath,  
7 please notify me and I will ask that your testimony be  
8 affirmed instead of sworn.

9 Does anyone have any questions about the  
10 procedure this evening? Hearing no questions, we'll begin  
11 the public hearing in case number WO-2011-0328.

12 Let me get entries of appearance from  
13 counsel, please, beginning with the General Council's  
14 Office.

15 MS. LEWIS: Rachel Lewis, for Staff  
16 Counsel's Office. Post Office Box 360, Jefferson City,  
17 Missouri, 65102.

18 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Ms. Lewis, thank you. On  
19 behalf of the Office of the Public Counsel, please.

20 MS. BAKER: Thank you. Christina Baker.  
21 PO Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102, appearing on  
22 behalf of the Office of Public Counsel and the rate

23 payers.

24 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Ms. Baker, thank you. On  
25 behalf of the applicants, please.

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1 MR. COOPER: Dean Cooper, PO Box 456,  
2 Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102, appearing on behalf of  
3 Algonquin Water Resources of Missouri, LLC, doing business  
4 as Liberty Water and Noel Water Company, Inc.

5 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Mr. Cooper, thank you. I  
6 don't think I have any other entries. May I verify? Is  
7 there anyone else wishing to enter an appearance?

8 All right, hearing none. Let me see if we  
9 have anyone who wishes to testify. Mr. Bush, has anyone  
10 signed up to testify?

11 MR. BUSH: The one person that signed up  
12 has left the building.

13 JUDGE PRIDGIN: Left the building, very  
14 good. Is there anyone else who wishes to testify?

15 All right, very good. Is there anything  
16 from counsel before we go off the record?

17 MR. COOPER: No, Your Honor.

18 MS. LEWIS: Nothing from Staff.

19 MS. BAKER: Nothing from Public Counsel.

20 JUDGE PRIDGIN: All right, thank you. And  
21 I will note for the record that we had an extensive

22 question and answer session which seemed to have been  
23 fruitful in getting customers' questions answered and I  
24 believe that explains the brevity of this on the record  
25 portion of the hearing. If there's nothing further?

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1 All right. Thank you very much, we will go  
2 off the record in the local public hearing in case number  
3 WO-2011-0328. Thank you, we are off the record.

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5 (HEARING CONCLUDED AT 6:39 P.M.)

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