

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

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Brandco)
Investments, LLC and Hillcrest Utility Operating)
Company, Inc., for Hillcrest to Acquire Certain)
Water and Sewer Assets of Brandco and, Inc.)
Connection Therewith, Issue Indebtedness and)
Encumber Assets)

File No. WO-2014-0340 et al.

ORDER CANCELING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Issue Date: October 15, 2014

Effective Date: October 15, 2014

On May 13, 2014, Brandco Investments, LLC and Hillcrest Utility Operating Company, Inc., filed an application asking the Commission to approve Hillcrest's acquisition of the water and sewer assets of Brandco, and to grant Hillcrest a certificate to operate those assets as a public utility. The Commission has established a procedural schedule to consider that application. That procedural schedule requires the parties to file surrebuttal testimony on October 17, and includes an evidentiary hearing on October 29.

On October 10, Staff and Hillcrest filed a nonunanimous stipulation and agreement that would resolve all contested issues. Public Counsel, the only other party, did not join in the stipulation and agreement, but the stipulation and agreement represents that Public Counsel will not oppose the stipulation and agreement. On October 15, Staff and Hillcrest filed a joint motion asking the Commission to suspend the procedural schedule while the stipulation and agreement is under consideration. The motion represents that Public Counsel supports the motion.

After considering the motion, the Commission will cancel the remainder of the procedural schedule, including the hearing scheduled on October 29. If the stipulation and

agreement is not approved, the Commission will establish a revised procedural schedule by subsequent order.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The procedural schedule previously established for this case, including the hearing scheduled on October 29, 2014, is cancelled.
2. This order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Morris L. Woodruff, Chief Law Judge,
by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 15th day of October, 2014.