

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office in
Jefferson City on the 18th day
of January, 2012.

In the Matter of Midland Water Company)	<u>File No. WR-2012-0031</u>
Requesting a Rate Increase)	Tariff No. YW-2012-0303

**ORDER APPROVING UNANIMOUS
DISPOSITION AGREEMENT AND TARIFF**

Issue Date: January 18, 2012

Effective Date: January 27, 2012

On July 26, 2011, Midland Water Company ("Midland Water") initiated a small water company rate increase action pursuant to Commission rule 4 CSR 240-3.050. Midland Water requested an annual increase of \$9,200.

On December 23, 2011, Midland Water, the Staff of the Commission ("Staff") and the Office of the Public Counsel filed a Unanimous Disposition Agreement (Agreement). Among other items, the Unanimous Agreement recommends approval of an annualized operating revenue increase of \$5,633.

Midland Water provides service to approximately 96 mostly residential customers in Christian County, Missouri. The revenue increase represents a 22.03 percent increase or \$5.40 per month for a residential customer using 3,900 gallons per month.

The Unanimous Agreement also prescribed a schedule of water plant depreciation rates and required Midland Water to implement certain agreed-upon conditions, including the filing of tariff sheets with a 30-day effective date. In compliance with the Unanimous Agreement, Midland Water filed tariff sheets on December 28, 2011, with effective dates of January 27, 2012.

The Commission ordered Staff to advise whether the tariff sheets are in compliance with the Unanimous Agreement, and for any other parties to respond to the tariff filing. Staff responded on January 9, 2012, stating that the tariff sheets comply with the terms of the Unanimous Agreement. Staff recommends that the Commission approve the Unanimous Agreement and the tariff sheets. No other responses were received.

Due to the Unanimous Agreement, this case may be decided without convening a hearing.¹ Also, the Commission need not separately state its findings of fact or conclusions of law.²

The Commission finds the Unanimous Agreement and the tariff sheets to be reasonable and shall approve them.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Notice of Unanimous Disposition Agreement Regarding Disposition of Small Water Company Revenue Increase Request, entered into by the Staff of the Commission, Midland Water Company, and the Office of the Public Counsel and filed on December 23, 2011, is approved and the parties shall comply with its terms.

2. Tariff No. YW-2012-0303, filed by Midland Water Company, is approved to become effective for service rendered on and after January 27, 2012. The tariff sheet approved is:

**P.S.C MO No. 2, Cancelling P.S.C. MO No. 1
Original Sheet Nos. 1 through 32**

¹ Section 536.060 RSMo Cum. Supp. 2010.

² Section 536.090 RSMo Cum Supp. 2010.

3. This order shall become effective on January 27, 2012.
4. This case may be closed on January 28, 2012.

BY THE COMMISSION



Steven C. Reed
Secretary

(S E A L)

Gunn, Chm., Jarrett, Kenney,
and Stoll, CC., concur.

Pridgin, Senior Regulatory Law Judge