

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

The Office of Public Counsel,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	<u>File No. WC-2016-0252</u>
)	
Moore Bend Water Utility, LLC,)	
)	
Respondent.)	

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO AMEND COMPLAINT AND
SETTING DEADLINE FOR FILING MEDIATION STATUS**

Issue Date: September 28, 2016

Effective Date: September 28, 2016

On September 6, 2016, the Office of the Public Counsel (“OPC”) filed a *Motion to Amend Complaint* seeking to amend the *Complaint* filed on March 31 against Moore Bend Water Utility, LLC (“Moore Bend”). Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.080(18) allows a pleading to be amended by leave of the Commission. Under Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.075(13), parties were given ten days from the date OPC filed its motion to file an objection, but no objections were received. The Commission will grant OPC’s motion and accept the *Complaint-Amended*.

Moore Bend previously requested mediation and the Commission stayed the deadline for the filing of an answer to provide OPC an opportunity to respond to the mediation request. At a discovery conference held on April 20, the parties expressed an interest in attempting to resolve the dispute informally, without the assistance of a mediator. The Commission will now direct OPC to submit a status report stating if the parties are still working on an informal resolution or request the appointment of a

mediator by the Commission. If OPC states it is no longer interested in mediation, the Commission will set a deadline for Moore Bend to file an answer to the *Complaint-Amended*.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Office of the Public Counsel's *Motion to Amend Complaint* is granted.

The *Complaint-Amended* is deemed filed with the Commission.

2. No later than October 11, 2016, the Office of the Public Counsel shall file a mediation status-report with the Commission, as described in the body of this order.

3. 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

Kim S. Burton, Senior Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 28th day of September, 2016.

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission,
at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 28th day of September 2016.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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