

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

In the Matter of the Request for an Increase in Water Operating Revenues of Emerald Pointe Utility Company)))	Case No. <u>WR-2013-0017</u>
In the Matter of the Request for an Increase in Sewer Operating Revenues of Emerald Pointe Utility Company)))	Case No. <u>SR-2013-0016</u>

STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff), by and through counsel, and states as follows:

1. On July 16, 2012, the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) received a Rate Increase Request Letter from Emerald Pointe Utility Company (Emerald Pointe or Company) requesting Commission approval of an increase of \$186,000 in its annual sewer system operating revenues and an increase of \$13,000 in its annual water system operating revenues pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050 (Small Utility Rate Case Procedure), which were respectively assigned Commission Case Nos. SR-2013-0016 and WR-2013-0017.

2. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050(11) states that “[n]o later than one hundred fifty (150) days after a case is opened,” Staff shall file a disposition agreement between at least Staff and the utility providing for a full or partial resolution of the utility’s revenue increase request.

3. On October 11, 2012, per Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050(12), Staff requested an extension of time for filing a disposition agreement. The Commission

granted that request, extending the deadline for a disposition agreement in Case No. SR-2013-0016 and WR-2013-0017 to February 11, 2013.

4. Staff and the Company have been diligently working toward an agreement and believe an agreement is possible. However, neither a full nor partial agreement has been reached as of February 11, 2013. Counsel for Emerald Pointe assures Staff that it is preparing to file a Motion for Waiver and Extension by tomorrow, which Staff does not expect to oppose. As such, Staff requests its obligation to file a disposition agreement or a request for hearing under Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050 be extended for one day or, alternatively, until the Commission has had an opportunity to rule on the Company's Request.

WHEREFORE, Staff requests an extension as described above and such further relief as the Commission deems just and reasonable.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed with first-class postage, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 11th day of February, 2013.

/s/ Amy E. Moore