

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

In the Matter of Application of The Public Funding)	
Corporation of the City of Ozark, Missouri to Sell its)	<u>File No. WM-2017-0342</u>
Water System Located in Christian County to the)	
City of Ozark, Missouri)	

STATUS REPORT AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF FILING DATE

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, and hereby respectfully submits this *Status Report* in the above-captioned matter.

1. On June 19, 2017, the City of Ozark filed an Application for approval of a transfer of assets from the Public Funding Corporation of the City of Ozark to the City of Ozark, Missouri. On June 26, 2017, the City of Ozark filed its *First Amended Application*.

2. On June 27, 2017, the Commission ordered Staff to file a recommendation no later than July 27, 2017.

3. Based on answers to data requests in this case, Staff has determined that the City of Ozark is still in the process of notifying the customers regarding future operations of the water system, and rates. Staff has also been in contact with the City Attorney of the City of Ozark, who has indicated that the City of Ozark plans to send out public notice and conduct a local public hearing regarding the Application with the citizens of the Finley Valley Water System, with Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel present, to advise customers of the transfer and the impact it will have on service and rates. In order to be able to prepare a recommendation that includes information provided to customers and customer reactions, Staff requests additional time beyond July 27, 2017 until after the local public hearing is held. Based on the

potential dates for a local public hearing, Staff likely requires an additional 2 months. Therefore, Staff requests the Commission order that Staff shall file its recommendation or a status report no later than September 27, 2017.

WHEREFORE, Staff requests the Commission order Staff to file its recommendation or a status report in this matter no later than September 27, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that true and correct copies of the foregoing were served electronically to all counsel of record this 26th day of July, 2017.

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