BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of Roy-L Utilities, Inc. Request for) Increase in Annual Sewer and Water System) Operating Revenues)

Case No. WR-2016-0109

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STAFF'S REPORT ON LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, and for its *Report on Local Public Hearing* in the above styled matter, hereby states:

1. On November 9, 2015, Roy-L Utilities, Inc. ("Roy-L") filed its letter pursuant to 4 CSR 240-3.050(2) requesting a rate increase, beginning the Small Rate Case procedure as outlined under 4 CSR 240-3.050.

2. On April 27, 2016, the Office of the Public Counsel requested a local public hearing and on May 6, 2016, the Commission granted that request.

3. A local public hearing was held May 23, 2016, wherein a question and answer session was conducted prior to the on-the-record portion of the local public hearing.

4. Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050(19) states that if a local public hearing is held, "the staff shall file a pleading no later than five (5) working days after the hearing indicating whether any material information not previously available was provided at the

local public hearing and stating whether that information might result in changes to the utility/staff disposition agreement."

5. Staff participated in the question and answer session conducted between the parties and customers who attended prior to the on-the-record local public hearing, remained for the duration of the on-the-record session and was available after the local public hearing for discussion with the customers. Staff will conduct any necessary follow-up discussions to statements made during both the question and answer session and

the on-the-record local public hearing as is appropriate. However, pursuant to Rule 4 CSR 240-3.050(19), Staff states that it obtained no material information at the local public hearing that would result in any change to the disposition agreement entered into in these cases between Staff and Roy-L Utilities, Inc.

WHEREFORE, Staff submits this *Report on Local Public Hearing* for the Commission's information and consideration in this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

<u>/s/ Whitney Payne</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 26th day of May, 2016, to all counsel of record.

<u>/s/ Whitney Payne</u>