BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Forrest L. Hatfield,

Complainant,

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Melody Lake Water & Sewer, LLC,

Respondent.

Case No. WC-2006-0128 consolidated with: Case Nos. WC-2006-0130 and WC-2006-0152

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

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Issue Date: November 15, 2005

Effective Date: November 15, 2005

Forrest L. Hatfield, Robert G. Bodine and Harold J. Reitz filed with the Missouri Public Service Commission separate complaints against Melody Lake Water & Sewer, LLC. The Commission notes that Respondent, on October 17, 2005, filed a request for voluntary mediation. However, Respondent has not filed answers to the complaints. The Commission hereby informs Respondent that Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.070(9) states: "[i]f the respondent in a complaint case fails to file a timely answer, the complainant's averments may be deemed admitted and an order granting default entered."

The Commission has consolidated these matters and the Staff of the Commission has filed a report concerning the consolidated cases on November 14. In its report, Staff informs the Commission that the company is not current on the submission of its annual reports. Staff further states that the company has issues of noncompliance with the Department of Natural Resources. Commission rule 4 CSR 240-080(15) states that unless

otherwise ordered by the Commission, parties shall not have more than ten days to respond to any pleading. If the parties to this matter wish to respond to Staff's report, the Commission will direct the parties to respond by a date certain.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the parties to this matter may respond to the Staff of the Commission's report no later than November 30, 2005.

2. That this order shall become effective on November 15, 2005.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Kennard L. Jones, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 15th day of November, 2005.