OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Office of the Public Counsel,)
Complainant,))
v.)) <u>Case No. WC-2007-0038</u>
Central Jefferson County Utilities, Inc.,)))
Respondent.))

ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Issue Date: April 19, 2007 Effective Date: April 19, 2007

On July 26, 2006, the Office of the Public Counsel filed an "overearnings" complaint against Central Jefferson County Utilities, Inc.¹ Central Jefferson answered on August 30, denying OPC's allegations.

On February 8, 2007, in Case No. SO-2007-0071, the Commission approved Central Jefferson's request to sell certain water and sewer assets to Jefferson County Public Sewer District. In response to a Commission order, both Central Jefferson and Staff suggested that the Commission could continue the hearing in this case, and that this case could become moot, depending upon when Central Jefferson finally closes the above-referenced sale to Jefferson County Public Sewer District.

¹ By separate order, the Commission consolidated a similar complaint that OPC had against Central Jefferson's sewer operations into this case.

The Office of the Public Counsel also mentioned the possibility of a continuance, stating that it "might not object" to a continuation. The Commission will order OPC to state what objections, if any, it has to Staff's and Central Jefferson's suggestion of a continuance.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Office of the Public Counsel shall file a pleading as directed above no later than April 23, 2007.
 - 2. That this order shall become effective on April 19, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Ronald D. Pridgin, Senior Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 19th day of April, 2007.