

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Lake Region)
Water & Sewer Company for a Certificate of)
Convenience and Necessity Authorizing It to)
Construct, Install, Own, Operate, Control, Manage) **Case No. WA-2005-0463, et al.**
and Maintain a Water and Sewer System for the)
Public Located in an Unincorporated Area in)
Camden County, Missouri)

ORDER DENYING STAFF'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO
FILE A RECOMMENDATION AND SCHEDULING A PREHEARING
CONFERENCE

Issue Date: May 22, 2006

Effective Date: May 22, 2006

On June 2, 2005, Lake Region Water & Sewer Company filed an application requesting authority to provide water and sewer service to an unincorporated portion of Camden County, Missouri. The Commission directed its Staff to file a recommendation regarding that application no later than August 26. At the request of Staff, and without opposition from Lake Region, the date for the filing of a recommendation was extended to October 25, to December 27, to February 27, and then again to March 29. On March 29, instead of a recommendation, Staff filed a pleading entitled Motion for Issuance of Show Cause Order.

Staff explained that it was unable to prepare a recommendation because it was waiting for Lake Region to submit a modified agreement with the developer of the subdivision that it seeks to serve. Since Lake Region had not submitted that document, Staff asked the Commission to dismiss the application without prejudice. Lake Region

responded to Staff's motion on April 12 by filing a modification to its agreement with the developer, which it indicated would satisfy Staff's need for additional information.

In light of that filing, the Commission once again ordered Staff to file a recommendation, this time no later than May 19. Instead, on May 19, Staff filed another request for an extension of time to file its recommendation. Staff reports that it is not satisfied with the submitted modification to the agreement and indicates that if Lake Region submits a further modification it hopes to file a recommendation by June 23. Staff also indicates that if it is not satisfied with the modified agreement it will again ask the Commission to dismiss Lake Region's application.

This application has been pending for nearly a year and it needs to be resolved. Rather than wait for the submission of additional information and a Staff recommendation, the Commission will move this case toward a hearing so that the Commission can consider the application on its merits. To that end, the Commission will schedule a prehearing conference to assist the parties in the development of an appropriate procedural schedule.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. A prehearing conference will be held on June 12, 2006, at 10:00 a.m., at the Commission's office at the Governor Office Building, Room 305, 200 Madison Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. This building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in this conference, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 before the conference.

2. This order shall become effective on May 22, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written over a horizontal line.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

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Morris L. Woodruff, Deputy Chief Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 22nd day of May, 2006.