



# Timber Creek Sewer Co., Inc.

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Secretary of the Commission  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
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RE: Request for Increase in Annual Sewer System Operating Revenues  
MO PSC Sewer Utility Small Company Rate Increase Procedure

Dear Secretary:

Timber Creek Sewer Company (the Company) holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity granted by the Missouri Public Service Commission (the Commission), under which the Company provides sewer collection and treatment services in Platte and Clay Counties, Missouri. The Commission first authorized the Company to provide regulated sewer utility service in July 1995. The Company currently provides service to approximately 1150 sewer customers within its certificated service area under the provisions of its Commission approved tariffs. The Company's customer rates for sewer service are currently the same as those established in July 2004.

Pursuant to 4 CSR 240-3.330, the Commission's rule pertaining to rate increase requests made by small sewer utilities, the Company is hereby requesting an increase of \$120,000 in its annual sewer system operating revenues. Based upon current customer rates and customer numbers, this increase represents a change of approximately 32.24% in the Company's annual sewer system operating revenues. Company is requesting an increase in CIAC (Capital Investments) from \$1,600 per connection to \$3,200 per connection. Additionally, increases in inspection fees, permit fees, and return check charges are also requested. The Company understands that the design of its customer rates, its service charges, its customer service practices, its general business practices and its general tariff provisions will also be reviewed during the Commission Staff's review of the rate increase request, and may thus be the subject of Staff recommendations at the conclusion of the rate increase process.

The specific reasons for the requested increase in the Company's annual operating revenues include: increases in utility plant and infrastructure investment; increases in operation and maintenance expenses; increases in the Commission's annual utility assessments; increases in the

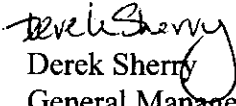
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Department of Natural Resources' annual sewer discharge permit fees; and additional personnel needed to support the business.

Lastly, I wish to advise you that the Company is current on the payment of its Commission annual assessments and the filing of its Commission annual reports. Additionally, the Company will remain current on these items during this small company rate increase procedure.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. Please contact me at your convenience if you need additional information regarding this request.

Sincerely,

  
Derek Sherry  
General Manager  
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