## **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

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In the matter of the tariff filing of Algonquin Water Resources of Missouri, LLC to implement a general rate increase for water and sewer service provided to customers in its Missouri service areas.

Case No. WR-2006-0425

## **STAFF'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE TESTIMONY ONE DAY LATE**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and, for its Motion for Leave to File Testimony One Day Late, states to the Missouri Public Service Commission as follows:

1. On November 7, 2006, the Commission issued its Order Modifying Procedural Schedule, in which it ordered parties other than Algonquin Water Resources of Missouri, LLC ("Company") to file their Direct Testimony in this case by no later than December 1, 2006.

The Staff intends to file in this case the Direct Testimony of six witnesses, namely:
Graham A. Vesely, "Kofi" Agyenim Boateng, Matthew J. Barnes, James A. Merciel, Jr., Rosella
L. Schad, and Gary Bangert, as well as the Staff's Accounting Schedules.

3. The Direct Testimony of Mr. Boateng, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Merciel, Ms. Schad, and Mr. Bangert, as well as the Staff's Accounting Schedules were all filed on December 1, 2006, prior to the filing deadline. The Staff will not, however, be able to file the Direct Testimony of Mr. Vesely, because the large snow storm that struck the Jefferson City area on the evening of November 30 has made it impossible for necessary Support Staff personnel to get to the Commission's offices for final preparation and filing of Mr. Vesely's testimony. Mr. Vesely has

completed the final draft of his Direct Testimony, including final edits, and the Staff will be able to file this testimony early on the morning on December 4, 2006. The Staff therefore requests a one-day extension of the deadline for filing the Direct Testimony of Graham A. Vesely.

4. The undersigned counsel for the Staff attempted to contact counsel for the Company and for the Office of the Public Counsel, to discuss this request, but was not able to reach them before filing this Motion. The Staff believes, however, that no party will be harmed by the granting of this short extension of the time for Staff to file a portion of its Direct Testimony in this case.

**WHEREFORE,** the Staff moves the Commission for its order granting the Staff a oneday extension of the deadline to file the Direct Testimony of Graham A. Vesely, and authorizing the Staff to file the said Direct Testimony on December 4, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or e-mailed to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 1st day of December 2006.

/s/ Keith R. Krueger