STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 27th day

of February, 2019.

In the Matter of an Investigation into the Operations and) Conditions of Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a) RDE Water Company)

File No. WO-2019-0247

ORDER OPENING AN INVESTIGATION

Issue Date: February 27, 2019

Effective Date: February 27, 2019

On February 21, 2019, the Commission's Staff filed a motion asking the

Commission to open an investigation into the operation and conditions of Rex

Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a RDE Water Company (RDE). RDE is a public utility

providing water service to approximately 1,138 customers in the Nixa, Missouri area.

Staff's motion explains its concern about RDE's repeated failure to comply with

Commission statutes and regulations, and its inability or unwillingness to respond to

Commission orders. Staff intends to investigate RDE and will report its findings to the

Commission. The Commission will open this case to facilitate Staff's investigation.

This is only a fact-finding investigation and is not a contested case. The

Commission will not take any action regarding RDE within the confines of this

investigation. If the investigation reveals that any such action is appropriate, Staff may

file a formal complaint or other appropriate pleading within a new file to institute contested

case procedures.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The Commission's Staff shall undertake an investigation of Rex Deffenderfer Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a RDE Water Company's compliance with the law regarding its provision of water service in Missouri.
- 2. Staff shall file a report regarding its investigation no later than August 30, 2019.
 - 3. This order shall be effective when issued.

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BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Kenney, Hall, Rupp, and Coleman, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge

STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 27th day of February 2019.

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION February 27, 2019

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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