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

In the Matter of TBJ Sewer Systems, Inc's	)	
Request for Increase in Annual Sewer	) <u>File N</u>	lo. SR-2024-0306
System Operating Revenues	)	

## JOINT RESPONSE REGARDING LOCAL PUBLIC HEARING

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, and on behalf of TBJ Sewer Systems, Inc. ("TBJ") and the Office of Public Counsel ("OPC"), states the following:

- 1. On April 18, 2024, TBJ initiated a rate case with the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission").
- 2. On April 19, 2024, Staff filed a *Rate Case Timeline* specifying due dates for the activities required by the Commission's Staff Assisted Rate Case Procedure.<sup>1</sup>
- 3. On April 29, 2024, the Commission filed its *Order Directing Response Regarding Local Public Hearing*, ordering the parties to suggest dates and a location for a local public hearing no later than May 7, 2024.
- 4. Pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-10.075(6), Staff's *Rate Case Timeline* included a local public hearing scheduled to occur no later than sixty days after the filing of the case on April 18, 2024. The parties to this matter agree that a public hearing is necessary and appropriate, and thus, propose that the Commission schedule a local public hearing on May 29, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.
- 5. Staff is still looking into a potential location for the local public hearing and will file an update with a suggested location no later than May 14, 2024.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 20 CSR 4240-10.075.

**WHEREFORE**, Staff prays, on behalf of itself, TBJ, and OPC, that the Commission schedule a local public hearing on May 29, 2024; and grant such other and further relief as is just in the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was delivered to the parties and/or their counsel of record by U.S. Postal Service postage prepaid, or by hand, or served electronically, on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.

<u>/s/ Casi Aslin</u>