

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

In the Matter of the Assessment Against the )  
Public Utilities in the State of Missouri for the )  
Expenses of the Commission for the Fiscal Year )  
Commencing July 1, 2005 )

Case No. AO-2005-0501

**MOTION TO ESTABLISH CASE AND ENTER ASSESSMENT ORDER**

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and states the following:

1. In order to assist the commission in meeting the requirements of Section 386.370 RSMo 2004, for providing sufficient revenues to fund Commission operations, Staff has made an estimate of the expenses to be incurred by the Commission during the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2005, reasonably attributable to the regulation of public utilities as provided in Chapters 386.392 and 393 RSMo.

2. Staff has determined that based upon the legislative appropriation for state FY 2006, the Commission's revenue need is \$17,046,840.

3. Staff has separately estimated the amount of expenses directly attributable to such regulation of each of the following groups of public utilities: electrical utilities, gas utilities, heating utilities, water utilities, sewer utilities and telephone utilities, as well as the amount of such expenses not directly attributable to any such group.

4. As provided by law, Staff subtracted from the need amount the Public Service Commission Fund's FY 2005 unexpended balance of \$2,988,976, as allocated to each group of public utilities, noted above, in proportion to the respective gross intrastate operating revenue of the respective groups during the calendar year of 2004. Staff also subtracted from the need amount the estimated reimbursement from the Federal Gas Safety program.

5. Staff has determined the amounts allocated to each such group of public utilities, net of said estimated unexpended fund balance and federal reimbursement as follows:

Electric	\$4,818,852
Gas	\$3,866,442
Heating	\$ 78,427
Water	\$ 765,124
Sewer	\$ 311,782
Telephone	\$3,937,237
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,777,864</b>

6. Attached to this filing are four worksheets Staff prepared which detail the computations used to arrive at its estimates and the assessment calculations by public utility group.

7. Staff requests the Commission to direct its Budget and Fiscal Services Department to calculate the amount of assessment against each public utility for the next fiscal year. It further requests that the Commission direct its Director of Administration to render a statement of such assessment to each public utility on or before July 1, 2005, pursuant to 386.370 RSMo 2004, with said assessment due and payable on or before July 15, 2005, or at the option of each public utility, payable in equal quarterly installments on or before July 15, 2005, October 15, 2005, January 15, 2006 and April 15, 2006, as provided by law.

**WHEREFORE**, the Staff asks that the Commission open this case for the purpose of entering an Order with respect to the FY 2006 public utility assessments that adopts the cost estimates and assessment allocations contained in the worksheets prepared by Staff, directs the Commission's Budget and Fiscal Services Department to calculate the amount of assessment

against each public utility, and further, directs its Director of Administration to render a statement of each public utilities assessment to each utility on or before July 1, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or e-mailed to all counsel of record this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2005.

**/s/ Robert V. Franson**

MO PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
FY-2006 ASSESSMENT  
CALCULATION OF PSC ASSESSMENT

FISCAL YEAR 2006 APPROPRIATIONS/TRANSFERS/STATE CONTRIBUTIONS:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION APPROPRIATION	\$12,042,784
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT-COST ALLOCATION	\$383,989
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION-COST ALLOCATION	\$257,699
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION - LEASES	\$782,238
OASDI	\$720,504
STATE RETIREMENT, LTD INS & BASIC LIFE INS	\$1,275,716
STATE MEDICAL INSURANCE	\$1,523,910
DEFERRED COMPENSATION	\$45,000
WORKER'S COMPENSATION/UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$15,000
 TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS/TRANSFERS/STATE CONTRIBUTIONS	 <u>\$17,046,840</u>
 LESS: ESTIMATED CASH BALANCE - PSC FUND	 ( <u>\$2,988,976</u> )
ESTIMATED D.O.T. GAS SAFETY RECEIPTS	<u>(\$280,000)</u>
 FISCAL YEAR 2006 PSC ASSESSMENT	 <u><u>\$13,777,864</u></u>

MO PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
FY-2006 ASSESSMENT  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FUND  
ESTIMATED CASH BALANCE JUNE 30, 2005

CASH BALANCE AT JULY 1, 2004	\$2,665,109
FY-2005 REVENUES	\$15,839,987
 TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE	 \$18,505,096
 ACTUAL AND ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES/TRANSFERS/STATE CONTRIBUTIONS JULY 1, 2004 - JUNE 30, 2005	
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION EXPENDITURES	\$10,999,061
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT-COST ALLOCATION	\$411,241
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION-COST ALLOCATION	\$217,449
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION-LEASES	\$770,516
OASDI	\$645,068
STATE RETIREMENT, LTD INS & BASIC LIFE INS	\$1,006,733
STATE MEDICAL INSURANCE	\$1,407,562
DEFERRED COMPENSATION	\$44,942
WORKER'S COMPENSATION/UNEMPLOYMENT COMP	\$13,548
 TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES/TRANSFERS/STATE CONTRIBUTIONS	 <u>\$15,516,120</u>
 ESTIMATED CASH BALANCE 06/30/2005	 <u><u>\$2,988,976</u></u>

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
FY 2006 ASSESSMENT  
SUMMARY OF COST ALLOCATED TO TYPE OF UTILITY

DIVISION/COST GROUP	TOTAL	ELECTRIC	GAS	HEATING	WATER	SEWER	TELEPHONE	COMMON
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION	\$15,622,914	\$2,540,963	\$2,922,772	\$66,116	\$615,247	\$285,017	\$2,354,441	\$6,838,358
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT-COST ALLOCATION	\$383,989	\$70,421	\$77,866	\$1,813	\$17,522	\$8,119	\$66,333	\$141,915
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION-LEASES	\$782,238	\$143,458	\$158,625	\$3,694	\$35,695	\$16,540	\$135,130	\$289,096
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION-COST ALLOCATION	\$257,699							\$257,699
TOTAL	\$17,046,840	\$2,754,842	\$3,159,263	\$71,623	\$668,464	\$309,676	\$2,555,904	\$7,527,068
INTRASTATE REVENUE	\$7,720,350,654	\$3,511,360,124	\$1,679,421,352	\$11,575,561	\$164,440,461	\$3,582,627	\$2,349,970,529	
PERCENT TO TOTAL	100.0000%	45.4819%	21.7532%	0.1499%	2.1300%	0.0464%	30.4387%	
ALLOCATION OF COMMON		\$3,423,452	\$1,637,376	\$11,286	\$160,324	\$3,493	\$2,291,137	(\$7,527,068)
TOTAL COSTS ALLOCATED	\$17,046,840	\$6,178,294	\$4,796,639	\$82,909	\$828,788	\$313,169	\$4,847,041	
LESS: PSC FUND CASH BALANCE	\$2,988,976	\$1,359,442	\$650,197	\$4,482	\$63,664	\$1,387	\$909,804	
LESS: EST. GAS SAFETY REIMB.	\$280,000		\$280,000					
FISCAL YEAR 2006 ASSESSMENT	\$13,777,864	\$4,818,852	\$3,866,442	\$78,427	\$765,124	\$311,782	\$3,937,237	
ASSESSMENT % TO REVENUE	0.1785%	0.1372%	0.2302%	0.6775%	0.4653%	8.7026%	0.1675%	
MAXIMUM ASSESSMENT TO REVENUE	\$19,300,877							