BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

| In the Matter of the Request for Increase in |) | |
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| Annual Water System Operating Revenues for |) | Case No. WR-2025-0292 |
| Environmental Utilities, LLC |) | |

ORDER DISMISSING CASE

Issue Date: December 18, 2025 Effective Date: January 17, 2026

On April 21, 2025,¹ Environmental Utilities, LLC (the Company) filed a letter requesting an increase in its annual water system operating revenues. On April 25, the Staff of the Commission (Staff) filed a Small Utility Rate Case Timeline pursuant to the staff assisted rate case procedure under Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-10.075.

On September 17, Staff filed a notice pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-10.075(5)(A) extending by 30 days the timeline by which to file a disposition agreement that fully or partially resolves the issues in the case or a motion stating that an agreement cannot be reached on any of the issues and that Staff is requesting the Commission hear the case. On October 17, Staff filed a *Motion for Waiver*, requesting the Commission waive the timeline pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-10.075(15). The Commission granted Staff's motion on October 29.

On November 6, Staff filed a *Motion for Procedural Conference*, stating that the parties had not resolved the case and that it was unclear how the Company wished to proceed. On November 10, the Commission issued its *Order Setting Procedural Conference*, ordering the parties to appear remotely for a procedural conference to be held November 18.

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¹ Unless otherwise noted, all dates refer to the year 2025.

On November 18, at the scheduled time, Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel appeared for the procedural conference; the Company did not appear. On November 20, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Applicant to Show Cause Why Application Should Not Be Dismissed*, directing the Company to respond no later than December 10 as to why its application should not be dismissed for failure to appear for the November 18th procedural conference. The Company did not respond by the deadline.

Two Commission rules address the failure of a party to appear for a prehearing conference. First, Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.116(3) states:

A party may be dismissed from a case for failure to comply with any order issued by the commission, including failure to appear at any scheduled proceeding such as a public hearing, prehearing conference, hearing, or mediation session.

Second, Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-2.090(5) states:

Failure to appear at a prehearing conference without previously having secured a continuance shall constitute grounds for dismissal of the party or the party's complaint, application or other action unless good cause for the failure to appear is shown.

The Company failed to appear for the November 18th scheduled procedural conference and failed to comply with a Commission order to show good cause for its failure to appear. Therefore, as provided by the Commission's rules, the Company's application will be dismissed.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- 1. For all the reasons stated above, the application of Environmental Utilities, LLC is dismissed without prejudice.
 - 2. This order shall be effective on January 17, 2026.
 - 3. This case shall close on January 18, 2026.

BY THE COMMISSION

Nancy Dippell



Nancy Dippell Secretary

Kenneth J. Seyer, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri on this 18th day of December, 2025.

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 18th day of December 2025.

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MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION December 18, 2025

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

Sincerely,

Nancy Dippell Secretary

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