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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1057

In the Matter of the Investigation into the)	
Adequacy of Service of SEAVY LOOP)	ORDER
WATER COMPANY.)	

DISPOSITION: DOCKET CLOSED

Background. At its August 6, 2002, Public Meeting, the Commission opened an investigation into the adequacy of water service provided by Seavy Loop Water Company (SLWC or Company), a public utility under ORS 757.005 providing water utility service to customers near Eugene, Oregon. Pursuant to Order No. 02-665, entered September 25, 2002, the Company was ordered to comply with state statutes and Commission Rules.

On October 29, 2003, the Property Management Office in Lane County (Lane County or the County) informed members of the Commission staff (Staff) that the County had foreclosed on SLWC's real property for unpaid property tax and the property had been transferred to the County. Further correspondence from Lane County, filed November 14, 2003, confirmed that the foreclosure included all of the utility property, including land, infrastructure, transmission, and distribution assets.

On February 12, 2004, SLWC was sold at public auction to Ravin Group, LLC (Ravin), which owns and operates other water systems in Lane County, two of which are rate regulated by the Commission. The Commission has not received any complaints from the public with respect to water systems operated by Ravin.

Discussion. The defendant in the instant investigation no longer either owns the assets or operates the system that caused the Commission to open this docket. Staff therefore recommends that Docket UM 1057 be closed. We agree.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the investigation into the adequacy of service provided by Seavy Loop Water Company, opened pursuant to ORS 765.515, IS CLOSED.

Made, entered, and effective _____.

Lee Beyer
Chairman

John Savage
Commissioner

Ray Baum
Commissioner

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-014-0095. A copy of any such request must also be served on each party to the proceeding as provided by OAR 860-013-0070(2). A party may appeal this order to a court pursuant to applicable law.