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PURPOSE: The purpose of this rule is to comply with section 536.023, RSMo 1986, which requires each agency to adopt as a rule a description of its operation and the methods by which the public may obtain information or make submissions or requests.

(1) Chapter 644, RSMo 1986 establishes a water contaminant control agency known as the Missouri Clean Water Commission. The commission consists of six (6) members who are appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. The commission holds at least four (4) meetings a year and special meetings and hearings as it deems necessary. The commission will take all actions at meetings open to the public.

(2) It is the public policy of this state to conserve waters of the state and to protect, maintain and improve the quality of the waters of the state and it is the duty of the commission to carry out this policy. To achieve its objectives the commission has specific duties and powers which are listed at Chapter 644.026, RSMo 1986. Among these are issuing permits for the construction and operation of wastewater treatment facilities or other point sources, monitoring the quality of the waters of the state and planning to protect and improve them; inspecting and monitoring water contaminant sources; investigating complaints from the public; adopting regulations; enforcing the Clean Water Law and these regulations; and administering grants to municipalities and political subdivisions for construction of wastewater treatment facilities.

(3) The director of the Department of Natural Resources, subject to the approval of the commission, appoints a director of staff to serve the commission. The water pollution control staff working under the provision of the Missouri Clean Water Law and under the supervision of the director of staff is within the Division of Environmental Quality with its central office located in Jefferson City, MO 65102. The commission maintains a mailing list of those persons desiring notification of meetings. Local assistance can also be obtained from one of the division's six (6) regional offices. These offices are in Jefferson City, Kansas City, Macon, Poplar Bluff, St. Louis and Springfield.

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*Original authority: 536.023, RSMo 1975, amended 1976, 1997 and 644.026, RSMo 1972, amended 1973, 1987, 1993, 1995, 2000.