



**Metropolitan St. Louis
Sewer District**

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MSD RATE COMMISSION TO HOLD NEWS CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS RATE SETTING PROCESS

WHO: The Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District (MSD) Rate Commission

WHAT: Rate Commission members will tour the Bissell Point Wastewater Treatment Plant. Members of the media are invited to join the tour. Commissioners will make brief remarks to the press after the tour. After their remarks, Commissioners will take questions from the press that pertain to the Commission's role in the MSD rate setting process.

WHEN: Friday, June 3, at 10:00 a.m.

WHERE: Bissell Point Treatment Plant, 10 East Grand Avenue, St. Louis, 63147. Meet at the pump station building (once through the entrance gate, 20 yards down on your right-hand side).

BACKGROUND: MSD staff has presented a rate proposal to the Rate Commission that contains a schedule of rate increases to fund more than fund more than \$1 billion in needed wastewater system investments. The proposed schedule covers July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2015.

The Rate Commission, which consists of 15 member organizations representing a broad cross section of MSD customers and the community, provides public input into how MSD sets its rates. The Rate Commission process includes multiple public hearings where MSD customers will have an opportunity to provide feedback on the rate proposal. The entire Rate Commission process could take as long as 165 days.

(The event begins at 10:00am with a brief tour. After the tour, members of the Rate Commission will make prepared statements to the assembled press and take questions.)

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