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WPS Resources Corporation
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August 12, 2002

Jonathan G. Katz
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
Washington DC 20549

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Dear Mr. Katz:

Included in this fax are the SEC required sworn statements pursuant to section 21(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 of Larry L. Weyers, Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer, and Joseph P. O'Leary, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of WPS Resources Corporation. Original statements will be delivered to your office by overnight mail.

WPS Resources Corporation is posting these statements on the company website www.wpsr.com and is also filing a Form 8-K regarding these statements.

If you have any questions, regarding the filing of these statements, please contact me at (920) 433-1727.

Sincerely,

Barth J. Wolf
Secretary and Manager – Legal Services

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STATEMENT UNDER OATH OF PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER REGARDING FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES RELATING TO EXCHANGE ACT FILINGS

I, Joseph P. O'Leary, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, state and attest that:

1. To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of WPS Resources Corporation, and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
 - no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
 - no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
2. I have reviewed the contents of this statement with WPS Resources Corporation's Audit committee.
3. In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":
 - Annual Report on Form 10-K of WPS Resources Corporation for the year ended December 31, 2001.
 - all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of WPS Resources Corporation filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
 - any amendments to any of the foregoing.

Joseph P. O'Leary
 Joseph P. O'Leary
 Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
 WPS Resources Corporation

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 Date

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Subscribed and sworn to before me
 this 12th day of August, 2002

Christine A. Weener
 Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 7/16/06