

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Verified Application and	)	
Petition of Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural	)	
Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities for	)	<b><u>File No. GO-2015-0350</u></b>
Establishment of an Infrastructure System	)	Tariff No. YG-2016-0091
Replacement Surcharge	)	

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through the undersigned counsel, and in response to the Commission's September 28, 2015 *Order Directing Staff to File Recommendation* submits its *Staff Recommendation* to the Commission as set forth in the attached Appendix A, which is incorporated herein by reference, and in support thereof respectfully states as follows:

1. The Commission's September 28 Order directed Staff to file a recommendation as to whether the tariff sheet (YG-2016-0091) filed on September 17, 2015, by Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities (herein "Liberty" or "Company") is in compliance with the Commission's September 16, 2015 *Order Setting ISRS Amounts, Rejecting Tariff Sheet, and Authorizing Company to File New Tariff Sheet*. Staff's recommendation is attached hereto as Appendix A.

2. The attached *Staff Recommendation* states that Staff has reviewed Liberty's tariff sheet and has determined that it complies with the Commission's September 16 Order; has verified that Liberty has filed its annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment; and that Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects, or is affected by, this filing.

3. Therefore, the attached *Staff Recommendation* recommends that the Commission issue an order approving the tariff sheet, filed by Liberty on September 17, 2015, to go into effect on October 17, 2015, as requested by Liberty.

The tariff sheet to be approved is:

P.S.C. MO. No. 2

8<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 19, Canceling 7<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 19

**WHEREFORE**, Staff recommends the Commission issue an order in this case approving the following tariff sheet for Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities, as filed on September 17, 2015, to become effective on October 17, 2015:

P.S.C. MO. No. 2

8<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 19, Canceling 7<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 19

Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic mail to counsel of record this 8<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2015.

**/s/ Jeffrey A. Keevil**

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File  
Case No. GO-2015-0350 / Tracking No. YG-2016-0091– Liberty Utilities  
(Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities

FROM: Thomas M. Imhoff, Tariffs/Rate Design Unit - Energy

/s/ Thomas M. Imhoff 10/08/15      /s/ Jeff Keevil 10/08/15  
Project Coordinator / Date              Staff Counsel's Office / Date

SUBJECT: Staff's Recommendation on the Tariff Sheet Filed by Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities in Compliance with Commission Order

DATE: October 8, 2015

On September 16, 2015, the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued its ORDER SETTING ISRS AMOUNTS, REJECTING TARIFF SHEET, AND AUTHORIZING COMPANY TO FILE NEW TARIFF SHEET ("Order") authorizing Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty Utilities ("Liberty" or "Company") to file a new tariff sheet to recover the revenue authorized in its Order.

On September 17, 2015, Liberty filed a tariff sheet with the Commission with a proposed effective date of October 17, 2015.

On September 28, 2015, the Commission directed the Staff to file a recommendation no later than October 15, 2015. This filing is Staff's recommendation.

Staff has reviewed Liberty's tariff sheet and has determined that Liberty's submitted ISRS tariff sheet (YG-2016-0091) complies with those prescribed rates authorized by the Commission's Order.

Staff has verified that Liberty has filed its annual report and is not delinquent on any assessment. Staff is not aware of any other matter before the Commission that affects, or is affected by this filing.

Therefore, Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order approving the following tariff sheet, as filed on September 17, 2015, to go into effect on October 17, 2015, as requested by Liberty.

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Surcharge )

Case No. GO-2015-0350

**AFFIDAVIT OF THOMAS M. IMHOFF**

State of Missouri )  
) ss.  
County of Cole )

**AFFIDAVIT**

**COMES NOW** Thomas M. Imhoff and on his oath declares that he is of sound mind and lawful age; that he contributed to the attached Staff Recommendation and that the same is true and correct according to his best knowledge and belief.

Further the Affiant sayeth not.

Thomas M. Imhoff  
**Thomas M. Imhoff**

**JURAT**

Subscribed and sworn before me, a duly constituted and authorized Notary Public, in and for the County of Cole, State of Missouri, at my office in Jefferson City, on this 8th day of October, 2015.

Laura Distler  
NOTARY PUBLIC

