

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held by telephone and internet audio conference on the 17th day of March, 2021.

In the Matter of Liberty Utilities (Midstates)	
Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty (MNG))	<u>File No. GT-2021-0273</u>
Filing of its Revised Weather)	Tariff No. JG-2021-0162
Normalization Adjustment Rider Tariff)	

ORDER APPROVING WNAR TARIFF

Issue Date: March 17, 2021

Effective Date: April 1, 2021

On February 26, 2021, Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty filed proposed revisions to its tariff under Tracking Number JG-2021-0162.¹ The revisions have a proposed effective date of April 1, 2021. The tariff would revise Liberty's weather normalization adjustment rider (WNAR), and is a mandatory semi-annual filing pursuant to Liberty's WNAR tariff, which went into effect on July 1, 2018. This is Liberty's sixth WNAR filing. The purpose of the WNAR tariff is to adjust revenues, either positive or negative, for differences between actual heating degree days and normal heating degree days.

On March 12, 2021, the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) filed its recommendation. Staff explains that because the previous accumulation period experienced cooler weather than normal in Liberty's rate districts, the proposed WNAR adjustment would change the average monthly bill, based on 100 Ccf of natural gas usage in a given billing month, of the typical residential customer by an approximately:

¹ Liberty subsequently filed three sets of substituted tariff sheets, and this order addresses the third set submitted on March 12, 2021.

\$0.64 decrease in the Northeast District;
\$0.64 decrease in the West District; and
\$0.50 decrease in the Southeast District.

Staff recommends the Commission approve the tariff.

The Commission set a deadline for responses to the application or Staff's recommendation. No other party responded or opposed approval of the tariff. The Commission has reviewed the tariff and Staff's verified recommendation and memorandum. The Commission will approve the tariff sheets.

As the tariff would take effect on April 1, 2021, without an order of the Commission, and to ensure the timely adjustment of rates to account for differences between actual heating degree days and normal heating degree days, this order will take effect in less than 30 days.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The tariff filed by Liberty Utilities (Midstates Natural Gas) Corp. d/b/a Liberty on February 28, 2021, as substituted on March 12, 2021, and assigned Tracking Number JG-2021-0162, is approved to become effective on April 1, 2021.
2. This order shall become effective on April 1, 2021.
3. This file shall be closed on April 2, 2021.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Kenney, Rupp, Coleman, and
Holsman CC., concur.

Hatcher, Regulatory Law Judge