BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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In the Matter of the Application of Summit Natural Gas of Missouri, Inc. (SNGMO) for Authority for Summit LDC Holdings, LLC to Pledge SNGMO's Capital Stock As Security in Regard to Certain Indebtedness

Case No. GF-2022-0216

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through undersigned counsel, and for its *Staff Recommendation* in this matter hereby states:

1. On March 8, 2022, the Commission issued its *Order Directing Staff to File a Recommendation and Setting a Time for Responses* regarding the Application by April 8, 2022. Staff has reviewed the Application and additional data obtained from SNGMO and submits the attached *Memorandum* (which is incorporated by reference) based on its review.

2. For reasons stated in the attached *Memorandum*, Staff recommends the Commission approve the Application and Request for Waiver submitted by SNGMO, subject to certain conditions.

WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully recommends approval of SNGMO's Application subject to the three (3) conditions specifically enumerated in the attached *Memorandum*.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Don Cosper</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 7th day of April, 2022.

<u>/s/ Don Cosper</u>